

**HB342** LOCAL TAX ISSUES-ELECTION DATES (Rep. Derek Merrin) To permit local tax-related proposals to appear only on general and primary election ballots and not on an August special election ballot and to modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies

**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB343** PROPERTY VALUE CONTEST-RESOLUTIONS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To require local governments that contest property values to formally pass an authorizing resolution for each contest and to notify property owners

**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee – Reported out**

**HB360** ANTI-BULLYING AND HAZING (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To enact the "Ohio Anti-Bullying and Hazing Act" with regard to school discipline and bullying and hazing policies at public schools and public colleges

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB361** PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINTS TIMEFRAME (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To increase the time within which boards of revision must decide property tax complaints

**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended**

**HB363** CAMPUS FREE SPEECH (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Andrew Brenner) To enact the "Campus Free Speech Act" with respect to the freedom of speech and assembly at state institutions of higher education and the charging and allocation of student activity fees

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB369** PER PUPIL FUNDING GUARANTEE (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To prescribe a per pupil funding guarantee for certain school districts and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB377** CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE EDUCATION (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Dan Ramos) With respect to age-appropriate student instruction in child sexual abuse and sexual violence prevention and in-service staff training in child sexual abuse prevention

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB378** OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT (Rep. Ryan Smith, Rep. Jack Cera) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB383** CHILD CARE HEALTH & SAFETY RISKS (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding parental notice of serious risks to the health or safety of children receiving child care  
**STATUS: House Community & Family Advancement Committee – Reported out**

**HB396** STEM DEGREE LOAN REPAYMENT (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To create the STEM Degree Loan Repayment Program and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB399** HEALTH INSURANCE SAVINGS INCENTIVES (Rep. Michael Henne, Rep. James Butler, Jr.) To enact the Ohio Right to Shop Act to require health insurers to establish shared savings incentive programs for enrollees  
**STATUS: House Health Committee**

**HB413** PERS ADJUSTMENT-DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES EMPLOYEES (Rep. Gary Scherer) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) annual cost-of-living adjustments granted to allowance and benefit recipients and PERS service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities  
**STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee**

**HB418** SCHOOL RECORDS TRANSFER (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To require a public or chartered nonpublic school to transmit a student's records within five business days when the student transfers to another school  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB426** SCHOOL SEXUAL CONDUCT (Rep. Christina Hagan) To prohibit an employee of a school or institution of higher education who is not in a position of authority from engaging in sexual conduct with certain students  
**STATUS: House Criminal Justice Committee**

**HB428** STUDENT RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES ACT (Rep. Tim Ginter, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) Regarding student religious expression and to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2018"  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB432** STUDENT LOAN OMBUDSMAN & LICENSURE (Rep. Kristin Boggs, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require student loan servicers to be licensed by the Division of Financial Institutions and to create the position of student loan ombudsperson in the Division of Financial Institutions to provide assistance to student loan borrowers  
**STATUS: House Financial Institutions, Housing & Urban Development Committee**

**HB438** ESC ANNEXATION (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To permit the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards and to permit a

local school district to sever its territory from one educational service center and annex that territory to an adjacent service center under specified conditions  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB442** SCHOOL ATHLETICS-F1 VISA (Rep. Niraj Antani) To authorize any student from a country or province outside the United States who attends an elementary or secondary school in Ohio and holds an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic athletics at that school on the same basis as Ohio residents  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB443** MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To require school district boards of education to incorporate mental health instruction into their health education curricula  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB449** CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSOR RATINGS-UNIVERSITIES (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. John Patterson) To require the Department of Education to attribute any community school sponsor ratings an entity received during its relationship with a state university board of trustees to that entity even if it no longer has a relationship with the university  
**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB477** ELIMINATE EDUCATION PROGRAMS (Rep. Kyle Koehler) To eliminate various provisions and programs related to the Department of Education and the operation of primary and secondary schools  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB487** RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL-COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To eliminate the right of first refusal for community schools, college-preparatory boarding schools, and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics schools in the acquisition of school district real property  
**STATUS: Introduced**

**HB488** PROPERTY TAX LEVY-BALLOT LANGUAGE (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. John Becker) To modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies  
**STATUS: Introduced**

**HB491** SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS-SPECIFIED SERVICES (Rep. Jay Edwards) To require the State Board of Education to issue a substitute license to specified pupil services personnel  
**STATUS: Introduced**

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## **SENATE**

**SB3** WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (Sen. Bill Beagle, Sen. Troy Balderson) To designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week  
**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) Passed by House, Vote 93-1; Senate concurs, Vote 32-0**

**SB5** INCREASING INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS (Sen. Jay Hottinger, Sen. John Eklund) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to college savings accounts and disability expense savings accounts to \$10,000 annually for each beneficiary, to create the Joint Committee on Ohio College Affordability, and to declare an emergency  
**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0; Emergency clause, Vote 32-1**

**SB8** SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY (Sen. Randy Gardner, Sen. Louis Terhar) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security  
**STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days**

**SB9** AUGUST TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes  
**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately**

**SB10** PRIMARY ELECTION REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Frank LaRose) To expand the circumstances under which a board of elections or the secretary of state is not required to hold a primary election  
**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0**

**SB15** COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require community colleges, state community colleges, technical colleges, and university branches to comply with minority business enterprise set-aside requirements, and to require the Director of Administrative Services to establish guidelines for these entities, and the Northeast Ohio Medical University, to establish procurement goals for contracting with EDGE business enterprises  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB17** LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND ALLOCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To increase monthly allocations to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.68% of the total tax revenue credited to the General Revenue Fund each month  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB34** SCHOOL YEARS (Sen. Gayle Manning) To generally require public and chartered nonpublic schools to open for instruction after Labor Day  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB36** AGRICULTURAL COMPUTATION (Sen. Cliff Hite) To require that the computation of the capitalization rate for the purposes of determining CAUV of agricultural land be computed using a method that excludes appreciation and equity buildup and to stipulate that CAUV land used for a conservation practice or enrolled in a federal land retirement or conservation program for at least three years must be valued at the lowest of the values assigned on the basis of soil type  
**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0**

**SB39** COMMUNITY SCHOOL OPERATION (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding community school operator contracts, the operation of Internet- and computer-based community schools, and performance metrics for blended learning schools  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB54** SUMMER FOOD PROGRAMS (Sen. Edna Brown, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB72** PREVAILING WAGE LAW (Sen. Matt Huffman) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB79** STATE DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW SCHEDULE (Sen. Kris Jordan) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review  
**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 24-9**

**SB82** SCHOOL ABSENCES-PARENTAL NOTIFICATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require a public school to place a telephone call within one hour of the start of the school day to a parent whose child is absent without legitimate excuse  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**SB85** OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Sen. Matt Huffman) To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB88** SUBDIVISION COMMISSIONS-FISCAL EMERGENCY (Sen. Louis Terhar) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision

commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0**

**SB97 REGIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE CREATION** (Sen. Frank LaRose, Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB104 PROHIBIT SECLUSION USE-SCHOOLS** (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To prohibit the use of seclusion on students in public schools

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB105 MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS** (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month"

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 31-0**

**SB111 SCHOOL ZONE SIGN LIGHTS** (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require school zones to be indicated by signs equipped with flashing or other lights or that indicate the times during which the restrictive speed limit is enforced, and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB123 PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINT PROCESS** (Sen. William Coley) To limit the right to initiate most types of property tax complaints to the property owner and the county recorder of the county in which the property is located

**STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee**

**SB124 COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANTS** (Sen. Sandra Williams) To qualify students in noncredit community college and career and technical programs for Ohio College Opportunity Grants and to require the awarding of academic credit for community colleges' career certification programs

**STATUS: Senate Finance Higher Education Subcommittee**

**SB133 STUDENT DISCIPLINE-VIOLENT BEHAVIOR** (Sen. Frank LaRose) To require the Education Management Information System to include information regarding persons at whom a student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed and to require the Department of Education to submit a one-time report to the General Assembly regarding that information

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB140 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP GRANTS** (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To create the Public-Private Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to develop, enhance, and promote educational programs to address regional workforce needs; to create the Sector Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and

2019 to identify and provide grants to industry partnerships; to support programs that improve access to workforce training opportunities for students; to support economic development and revitalization programs; and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB149** ELECTION POLLING PLACES-SCHOOLS (Sen. Frank LaRose) Regarding the use of a school district building as a polling place for elections  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB151** SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ADJUSTMENTS (Sen. Cliff Hite) To permit, rather than require, the School Employees Retirement System to grant annual cost-of-living adjustments to retirement, disability, and survivor benefit recipients and to reduce the maximum amount of the adjustment  
**STATUS: Senate Insurance & Financial Institutions Committee**

**SB172** HUNGER-FREE STUDENTS RIGHTS (Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish the Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights Act to require schools to provide certain services to students who are eligible for free or reduced price meals  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB175** RECOVERED FUNDS-SCHOOL AUDIT (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB191** ESTABLISH SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAMS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To establish the Breakfast After The Bell Program for public schools  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB196** AGGRAVATED BULLYING-OFFENSE CREATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To create the offense of aggravated bullying, a third-degree misdemeanor  
**STATUS: Senate Judiciary Committee**

**SB197** SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To require a tiered disciplinary procedure for harassment, intimidation, or bullying in school; to require annual student instruction about preventing such acts; and to create the offense of aggravated bullying as a third-degree misdemeanor  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB199** OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. Cliff Hite) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB203** MUNICIPAL TAX RULE REINSTATEMENT (Sen. Matt Dolan) To reinstate the municipal income tax "throw-back rule" used in apportioning business income among municipalities  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB209** PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS-TIF (Sen. William Coley, Sen. John Eklund) To modify the conditions that determine the relative priority of property tax exemptions when a parcel subject to a tax increment financing arrangement concurrently qualifies for another exemption  
**STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee**

**SB213** ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING PLAN (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To enhance economic and employment opportunities and improve local infrastructure in Ohio by providing additional assistance to workforce development and employment programs; establishing a revolving loan program for small businesses seeking to expand operations; extending job tax credits to smaller businesses; enabling expanded participation in public sector contracting by smaller companies; enhancing support for childcare centers; funding additional local infrastructure and public transit; authorizing tax incentives for hiring military veterans, for donating money to local programs assisting distressed communities, or for improving distressed property; exempting the homes of disabled veterans from property taxation; terminating the income tax deduction and reduced tax rate for business income; and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB216** PUBLIC SCHOOL DEREGULATION ACT (Sen. Matt Huffman) To enact the "Ohio Public School Deregulation Act" regarding the administration of preschool and primary and secondary education programs  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Bill amended**

**SB225** OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. John Eklund) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB226** PERMANENT SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a permanent three-day sales tax "holiday" each August during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use tax  
**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 31-0**

**SB239** REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS (Sen. Matt Dolan) To modify the law concerning regional councils of governments  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee – Substitute bill accepted**



**SB240** REGARDING TEACHER EVALUATIONS (Sen. Peggy Lehner) With regard to teacher evaluations

**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB241** ACCREDITED NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CATEGORY (Sen. Louis Terhar, Sen. Cecil Thomas) To establish a category of nonpublic schools called "accredited nonpublic schools" and to prescribe requirements and exemptions for such schools

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB246** STUDENT SAFETY ACT (Sen. Peggy Lehner, Sen. Gayle Manning) To enact the "SAFE Act" to revise the procedures for emergency removal of a student, to prohibit certain suspensions and expulsions of students in grades prekindergarten through three, to require each public school to implement a positive behavior intervention and supports framework in accordance with state standards, and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

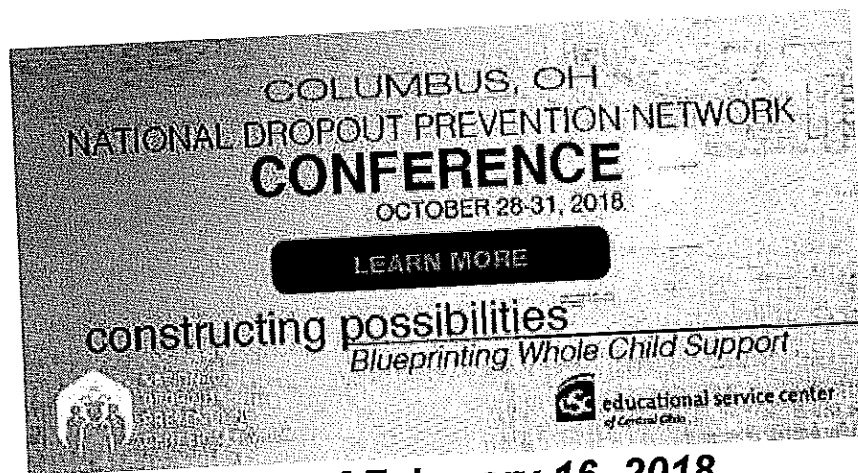
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## FEATURED ITEMS

**ATTAINMENT RATES UP, BUT NOT ENOUGH** – *The Lumina Foundation released its latest A Stronger Nation report presenting data on attainment rates across the United States. The Foundation's goal is that by 2025, 60 percent of Americans will hold a credential beyond high school to meet the nation's growing need for talent. According to the report, 46.9 percent of Americans aged 25 to 64 had a postsecondary degree or certificate in 2016 – a 1.1 percent increase since 2015 and 9 percent increase since 2008. However, the rate of increase isn't enough to meet the 60 percent goal by 2025. Ohio's attainment rate was 44.1 percent – an increase of 0.5 percent from 2015 and 9 percent increase from 2008.*

**Educational Attainment Up, But Gaps Remain** – **Inside Higher Ed**

- New data from the Lumina Foundation show that in 2016, 46.9 percent of Americans aged 25 to 64 had a postsecondary degree or certificate. That is a 1.1 percentage point increase in a year and a nine percentage point increase since 2008, but Lumina's report says that the rate of increase isn't large enough to meet a goal of 60 percent by 2025

**A Stronger Nation** – **Lumina Foundation**

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- Ohio's attainment rate is 44 percent, and the state is working toward its attainment goal of 65 percent by 2025

**Ensuring Ohio Can Compete: Meeting Ohio's 2025 Attainment Goal** –  
**Groundwork Ohio/Fordham Institute/Philanthropy Ohio/Interuniversity Council of Ohio/Ohio Association of Community Colleges/Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Ohio**

**TRUMP ADMINISTRATION RELEASES BUDGET PROPOSAL** –  
*The Trump administration released its budget proposal for fiscal 2019 which*

includes a 5.3 percent (\$3.6B) cut to the U.S. Department of Education (USDOE) from current spending levels. In fiscal 2018, the administration's proposal was for a 13.5 percent (\$9.2B) cut to the USDOE. Two major cuts included in the latest proposal are the elimination of Title II teacher grants and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers. The administration also is seeking \$1 billion in grants for states for private and public school choice programs called Opportunity Grants and \$500 million in federal charter school funding. Funding for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education programs would remain the same while Title I funding would essentially be flat funded.

### **Trump Seeks to Cut Education Budget by 5 Percent, Expand School Choice Push – EdWeek**

- President Donald Trump is seeking a roughly 5 percent cut to the U.S. Department of Education's budget for fiscal 2019 in a proposal that also mirrors his spending plan from last year by seeking to eliminate a major teacher-focused grant and to expand school choice

### **President's Budget Expands Education Freedom, Protects Vulnerable Students – USDOE**

- The U.S. Department of Education released the Administration's budget request for the 2019 fiscal year. The budget builds upon President Donald J. Trump's commitment to expand education freedom for all families and return power to local leaders

### **President's FY 2019 Budget Request for the U.S. Department of Education Overview – USDOE**

- The following materials show what this budget provides for the programs and activities of the Department of Education

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## **OHIO**

### ***Central Ohio Schools***

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- The Columbus metro area's attainment rate is 45.1 percent

## **COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS**

### **Columbus School Board Votes for 3 Superintendent Finalists Whose Names It Already Released – Columbus Dispatch**

- The Columbus Board of Education officially voted at a special meeting Monday night to narrow its list of candidates to three for the district's next superintendent

## **DUBLIN CITY SCHOOLS**

### **Board Member Harris to Seek 21<sup>st</sup> House Seat – This Week**

- Dublin City School District Board of Education member Stu Harris has announced he will run for state Representative in the May primary election

### **Start with Hello Fosters Social Skills – This Week**

- Start With Hello, a program started by Sandy Hook Promise, focuses on teaching students how to create a culture of inclusion for their classmates, according to the organization's website

## **GAHANNA-JEFFERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

### **Multiple Approaches Building Workforce – This Week**

- Jessica Slocum, an academic officer at Gahanna Lincoln High School, said the school district is working to establish and strengthen business partnerships in order to develop opportunities in career exploration and to connect students to opportunities

## **GROVEPORT MADISON LOCAL SCHOOLS**

### **Hurd in Line to Be Interim District Head – This Week**

- Hurd has been with the district as deputy superintendent for nearly two years. Before that, he served as the district's director of student services, Groveport Madison Middle School Central principal and Groveport Madison High School assistant principal

## **HILLIARD CITY SCHOOLS**

### **District Sees Technology as Tool, Not Way of Life – This Week Hilliard Schools Connection**

- John Marschhausen, superintendent of Hilliard City Schools, writes that educating the "whole child" isn't only about preparation for graduation -- it is about preparation for life

## **OLENTANGY LOACL SCHOOLS**

### **Two Companies Tapped to Fill Berlin with Furniture – This Week**

- The Olentangy school board Feb. 8 approved a \$912,477 contract with Martin Public Seating and a \$309,059 contract with School Specialty Inc. to outfit the classrooms, offices and lounges in the 307,000-square-foot Berlin High School, which is under construction just outside Delaware city limits off Berlin Station Road in Berlin Township

## **REYNOLDSBURG CITY SCHOOLS**

### **Plans Put in Place for District's Successful Future – This Week Raider Talk**

- Melvin Brown, superintendent of Reynoldsburg City Schools, writes that earlier this month, he had the opportunity to present the State of the Schools address, an overview of highlights and data from the past school year as well as strategies they will employ for the future, to the Reynoldsburg Area Chamber of Commerce

## **SOUTH-WESTERN CITY SCHOOLS**

### **Parent Project: Training Addresses Teen Issues – This Week**

- Educators at Central Crossing and Grove City high schools are offering a training program for parents that is designed to provide strategies for addressing destructive adolescent behavior

### **Academy Puts Students on Solid Paths to Jobs – This Week South-Western Subject Matter**

- Sandy Nekoloff, executive director of communications at South-Western City Schools, writes that the South-Western City School District offers 16 different career-technical programs serving more than 740 11th- and 12th-grade students in high-demand career areas

## **UPPER ARLINGTON CITY SCHOOLS**

### **UA Idea Day: Students Explore Concepts, Creativity – This Week**

- Upper Arlington High School held a daylong event Feb. 9 to help students and staff envision their own capabilities while forging paths to concepts and careers tha could change the world

## **WHITEHALL CITY SCHOOLS**

### **District Leaders' Contracts Extended – This Week**

- Whitehall school board members Feb. 8 approved two-year contract extensions for Superintendent Brian Hamler and Treasurer Steve McAfee

### **Communities in Schools: Confabs Keep Students on Track – This Week**

- Communities in Schools is a national organization offering support in public and charter schools to help at-risk students stay in school and achieve, said Jeff McCreary, site coordinator for Communities in Schools at Whitehall-Yearling

### **WORTHINGTON CITY SCHOOLS**

#### **Financial Records, Decisions Are Community's Business – This Week It's Worth It**

- Jeff McCuen, treasurer of Worthington City Schools, writes that the district recently published its annual Popular Annual Financial Report. This easy-to-read report provides residents with a transparent review of their financial status by detailing where their resources and revenues come from, as well as their spending priorities

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### ***Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education***

#### **Robo-Scoring of Essays Does Not Compute, Some Educators Say – Columbus Dispatch**

- Computers have taken the place of humans in grading student essays on Ohio's standardized tests, which the state says will save time and make scoring more equitable. But some school officials are questioning whether the practice has been properly vetted

#### **More ECOT Clawbacks on School Board Agenda – Hannah**

- The State Board of Education will kick off its meeting next week with another resolution to seek recovery of overpayments to Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow

#### **School Board Seeks \$19.2M More from ECOT; Former ODE Chief of Staff Joins Board – Hannah**

- Education officials added millions Monday to the total of student funding overpayments they're seeking to recover from the shuttered Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow (ECOT), one day before the Ohio Supreme Court hears arguments on the school's enrollment reporting dispute with the state

#### **School Board Talks Graduation, ECOT Response, Machine Scoring of Tests – Hannah**

- Schools with a higher proportion of students at risk of not graduating on time are seeing the students take advantage of new diploma options created for the class of 2018, Ohio Department of Education (ODE) officials said Tuesday

### **A Fifth of Ohio High School Seniors Need Help to Earn a Diploma This Year – Columbus Dispatch**

- Less than five months from graduation, one out of five Ohio high school seniors still wouldn't qualify for a diploma under more-stringent state standards — requirements that at least temporarily have been softened to avert just such a crisis. Now many students are performing community service to make up for poor test scores and win a diploma

### **Comment Period Now Open for Revisions to Ohio's Learning Standards in Science and Social Studies – Extended – ODE**

- The Ohio Department of Education invites Ohioans to submit suggestions for Ohio's Learning Standards in Science and Social Studies – Extended as part of a periodic update process

### **College Credit Plus Process for 2018-19 Begins – ODE**

- Students intending to participate in the fourth year of College Credit Plus, the successful program that provides Ohio students with the opportunity to earn college credit while still in high school, can begin the notification process for the 2018-2019 school year today (Feb. 15)

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## ***Ohio School Finance & Budget***

### **Ohio Families Can Now Spend 529 Savings on K-12 Schooling – Columbus Dispatch**

- Ohio families can now use money in their state 529 savings plan to pay tuition for religious and private schools for children from kindergarten through high school

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## ***Ohio Education & Public Policy***

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**of Ohio/Ohio Association of Community Colleges/Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Ohio**

**Study: Many Ohio Kids Experience Early Childhood Trauma – Columbus**

**Dispatch**

- Economic hardship, neighborhood violence, split-up parents and substance abuse. Any one of those conditions can make for problems that follow a kid through childhood and beyond

**House GOP Plan Would Merge State Education Departments – Columbus**

**Dispatch**

- A proposal to combine three state agencies into one department and give the governor more direct power over the implementation of education policy will be a primary focus of House Republicans over the next three months

**House Republicans Push Legislation to Consolidate State Education Departments – Hannah**

- Under HB512, sponsored by Rep. Bill Reineke (R-Tiffin), the Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE), the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation and much of the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) and State Board of Education would be combined under a new, cabinet-level agency, the Ohio Department of Learning and Achievement

**Ohio Would Merge Its School, University and Workforce Systems Into One under New Bill – Cleveland Plain Dealer**

- Leaders of the Ohio House hope to combine the state's school, university and workforce development systems into a single new Department of Learning and Achievement in the name of better aligning efforts to prepare students for jobs and college

**Apprenticeship Bill Needs Further Study, Says Chair Duffey – Hannah**

- Explaining that he sees a high level of interest among the members of his Higher Education and Workforce Development Committee to do something in the apprenticeship area, Chair Rep. Mike Duffey (R-Worthington) said Wednesday it is still unclear how HB110 (Hagan-Dean) differs from current law

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**Ohio Postsecondary & Workforce Development**

**College Credit Plus Process for 2018-19 Begins – ODE**

- Students intending to participate in the fourth year of College Credit Plus, the successful program that provides Ohio students with the opportunity to earn

college credit while still in high school, can begin the notification process for the 2018-2019 school year today (Feb. 15)

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## ***Ohio Reports***

**Ensuring Ohio Can Compete: Meeting Ohio's 2025 Attainment Goal – Groundwork Ohio/Fordham Institute/Philanthropy Ohio/Interuniversity Council of Ohio/Ohio Association of Community Colleges/Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Ohio**

### **A Stronger Nation – Lumina Foundation**

- The nation faces an urgent and growing need for talent. To meet that need, many more people must earn college degrees, workforce certificates, industry certifications and other high-quality credentials. That's why Lumina Foundation works to ensure that, by 2025, 60 percent of Americans hold a credential beyond high school – a quality credential that prepares people for informed citizenship and economic success
- Ohio's attainment rate is 44 percent, and the state is working toward its attainment goal of 65 percent by 2025

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# **NATIONAL/WORLD**

## ***Federal & US Department of Education***

### **Trump's 2019 Budget Proposal and Education: What to Watch – EdWeek**

- President Donald Trump is expected to release his latest federal spending wish list on Monday. And the U.S. Department of Education may not fare well

### **Trump Seeks to Cut Education Budget by 5 Percent, Expand School Choice Push – EdWeek**

- President Donald Trump is seeking a roughly 5 percent cut to the U.S. Department of Education's budget for fiscal 2019 in a proposal that also mirrors his spending plan from last year by seeking to eliminate a major teacher-focused grant and to expand school choice

### **President's Budget Expands Education Freedom, Protects Vulnerable Students – USDOE**

- The U.S. Department of Education released the Administration's budget request for the 2019 fiscal year. The budget builds upon President Donald J. Trump's commitment to expand education freedom for all families and return power to local leaders

### **President's FY 2019 Budget Request for the U.S. Department of Education Overview – USDOE**

- The following materials show what this budget provides for the programs and activities of the Department of Education

### **USDOE Won't Investigate Transgender Students' Complaints about School Restroom Access – EdWeek**

- The U.S. Department of Education won't investigate or intervene if transgender students file civil rights complaints about access to school restrooms and locker rooms, a spokesperson told BuzzFeed News, confirming a position the agency has effectively held since it rescinded guidance on transgender student rights a year ago

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## ***Education Policy & Finance***

### **State K-12 Funding, Aid Formulas High on Legislators' Radars – EdWeek**

- With the state legislative season now in full swing, K-12 funding—as well as the prospect of changes to how that money is distributed among schools—has emerged as a top issue for lawmakers

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## ***Standards & Assessments***

### **Planning for Progress: After the Tests: How States Share Assessment Data – Center on Education Policy**

- A special report in the Planning for Progress series, this report highlights states' efforts to share assessment results with principals, teachers, and parents. The report is based on responses to a 2017 survey that asked state education leaders about efforts to implement the Every Student Succeeds Act, as well as other CEP research, including teacher focus groups and national surveys of teacher and district leaders

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## ***Educator Effectiveness***

### **The Network Effect: Harnessing the Power of Teacher Leadership Networks to Sustain Progress in Tennessee – Chiefs for Change**

- This brief, the second in a series of papers on innovative and impactful teacher leadership initiatives in Chiefs for Change member states, provides an inside look at steps successful Chiefs for Change members took in revolutionizing the opportunities available for educators in their state, illustrates this work via a continuum for meaningful teacher leader engagement, and outlines three objectives of teacher leadership for state Chiefs to consider

### **What Works in Teacher Induction? The New Teacher Center Releases Its Standards – EdWeek**

- The New Teacher Center, a long-running teacher-induction program that works with nearly 1 in 10 new teachers, has released its program standards to the public. Up until now, those standards have only been available to paying districts

### **Teacher Induction Program Standards – New Teacher Center**

- NTC's Teacher Induction Program Standards (TIPS) build upon and are informed by those many years of study, consultation, collaboration, and program implementation across many contexts throughout the United States and abroad

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## ***Digital Convergence***

### **Web-Based, Interactive Learning Helps Middle Schoolers Excel in Science – THE Journal**

- Middle schoolers did better with science lessons when they could learn online, watching videos, playing educational games, running virtual experiments and collaborating with classmates. Under-achievers did especially well, with access to pop-up vocabulary definitions, interactive diagrams, digital note-taking, watching videos with captions and access to text-to-speech that allowed them to hear information read aloud to them

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## ***Personalized Learning Frameworks***

### **The Cost of Personalized Learning? Six Figures, Then Status Quo – EdWeek**

- Shifting to a personalized-learning model requires that schools make a six-figure upfront investment, more than 40 percent of which is likely to go to technology, according to a new analysis of six "breakthrough" Chicago district and charter schools

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## ***Special Education***

### **Special Education Case That Made It to Supreme Court Enters Final Chapter – EdWeek**

- When the U.S. Supreme Court created a stronger standard for special education in a unanimous decision last year, observers could be forgiven for believing that was the end of the story. But for the family at the center of *Endrew F. v. Douglas County School District*, the decision had the practical result of sending their dispute—at this point, eight years old—back to the lower court to be evaluated under the standard that the higher court outlined

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## ***Postsecondary & Workforce Development***

### **Educational Attainment Up, But Gaps Remain – Inside Higher Ed**

- New data from the Lumina Foundation show that in 2016, 46.9 percent of Americans aged 25 to 64 had a postsecondary degree or certificate. That is a 1.1 percentage point increase in a year and a nine percentage point increase since 2008, but Lumina's report says that the rate of increase isn't large enough to meet a goal of 60 percent by 2025

### **A Stronger Nation – Lumina Foundation**

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### **Go-Between Groups Help Businesses, Schools Shape Apprenticeships – EdWeek**

- It sounds great on paper: Schools and businesses team up to offer students a chance at real-world work. Teenagers get paid while they build skills, and they earn credentials that create new opportunities for them. But in reality, those programs require the coordination of many moving parts—and sometimes a lot of paperwork—to succeed. Increasingly, schools and

businesses are turning to a new breed of concierge service that handles all those details

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## Ohio Legislation Update

(Recent bill action in RED. Signed into law by Governor in GREEN.)

### HOUSE

**HB3 DATAOHIO BOARD CREATION** (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Christina Hagan) To create the DataOhio Board, to specify requirements for posting public records online, to require the Auditor of State to adopt rules regarding a uniform accounting system for public offices, to establish an online catalog of public data at data.Ohio.gov, to establish the Local Government Information Exchange Grant Program, and to make appropriations  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee – Reported out**

**HB8 PUBLIC RECORDS-MINORS** (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To exempt from the Public Records Law certain information concerning a minor that is included in a record related to a traffic accident involving a school vehicle in which the minor was an occupant at the time of the accident  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Local Government, Public Safety & Veterans Affairs Committee – Reported out**

**HB14 AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION** (Rep. Kathleen Clyde) To require that eligible persons in certain government and school databases be automatically registered to vote or have their registrations updated automatically unless those persons decline and to expand how a voter may register or update their registration through the online voter registration system  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee**

**HB21 COMMUNITY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION** (Rep. Steve Hambley) Regarding verification of community school enrollments  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee**

**HB37 SCHOOL SAFETY-STRUCTURES** (Rep. Steve Arndt) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in

purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB40** GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE DATABASE (Rep. Jonathan Dever, Rep. Dave Greenspan) To require the Treasurer of State to establish the Ohio State Government Expenditure Database  
**Status: House State & Local Government Committee**

**HB47** STUDENTS IN MILITARY (Rep. John Boccieri) To enact the "Students to Soldiers Support Act (S3A)" regarding the participation of students who are serving in the uniformed services in extracurricular activities at public and nonpublic schools and public and private colleges  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB49** OPERATING BUDGET (Rep. Ryan Smith) Creates FY 2018-2019 main operating budget  
**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective July 1, 2017**

**HB51** DEPARTMENT REVIEW SCHEDULE (Rep. Keith Faber) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review  
**STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended**

**HB53** PUBLIC EMPLOYEES-MEMBER DUES (Rep. John Becker) To remove any requirement under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law that public employees join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit public employers from requiring public employees to join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit an employee organization from being required to represent public employees who are not members of the employee organization, and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB58** CURSIVE HANDWRITING INSTRUCTION (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Marilyn Slaby) To require instruction in cursive handwriting  
**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB66** UNDERGRAD MISSION STUDY COMMITTEE (Rep. Ron Young) To require permanently tenured state university or college faculty members to teach at least three credit hours of undergraduate courses per semester  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee**

**HB69** LEVY REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT (Rep. Bob Cupp) To require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district  
**STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days**

**HB74** INCREASE COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. Stephen Huffman, Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to the state's 529 college savings program from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per beneficiary per year  
**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB77** SICK-CHILD CARE LICENSURE (Rep. Wes Retherford) To provide for the licensure of sick-child care centers  
**STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee**

**HB80** SCHOOL FOOD-SUMMER INTERVENTION (Rep. Sarah LaTourette, Rep. Kent Smith) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**HB87** COMMUNITY SCHOOL PUBLIC MONEYS (Rep. Kristina Roegner) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended**

**HB89** AUGUST SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes  
**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB98** CAREER INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Kristin Boggs) Regarding the presentation of career information to students  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee – Bill amended**

**HB102** SCHOOL FUNDING REFORM (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To replace locally levied school district property taxes with a statewide property tax and require recipients of certain tax exemptions to reimburse the state for such levy revenue lost due to those exemptions; to increase the state sales and use tax rates and allocate additional revenue to state education purposes; to repeal school district income taxes; to require the Treasurer of State to issue general obligation bonds to refund certain school district debt obligations; to create a new system of funding schools where the state pays a specified amount per student that each student may use to attend the public or chartered nonpublic school of the student's choice, without the



requirement of a local contribution; to eliminate the School Facilities Commission; to eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program, Pilot Project Scholarship Program, Autism Scholarship Program, and Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program; to eliminate interdistrict open enrollment; to require educational service centers to transport students on a countywide basis; and to permit school districts to enter into a memorandum of understanding for one district to manage another

**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB103 FISCAL EMERGENCY PROVISIONS** (Rep. William Reineke) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective October 17, 2017**

**HB108 INFORMED STUDENT DOCUMENT ACT** (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Robert McColley) To require one-half unit of financial literacy in the high school curriculum, to require the Chancellor of Higher Education to prepare an informed student document for each institution of higher education, to require the State Board of Education to include information on the informed student document in the standards and model curricula it creates for financial literacy and entrepreneurship, and to entitle the act the "Informed Student Document Act"

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended**

**HB110 COLLEGE CREDIT APPRENTICESHIPS** (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Bill Dean) To create a subprogram of the College Credit Plus Program that permits students to participate in certified apprenticeship programs

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended**

**HB118 TAX COMPLAINT DISMISSAL** (Rep. Derek Merrin) To expressly prohibit the dismissal of a property tax complaint for failure to correctly identify the property owner

**STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0**

**HB124 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL TAX LEVY** (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To authorize a joint vocational school district to submit the question of a renewal tax levy to voters who did not have an opportunity to vote on the levy at an election held in November of 2015 because the levy was only placed on the ballot in one of several counties in which the district has territory

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately**

**HB129 SCHOOL EXTERNSHIPS-GOVERNOR** (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require the Governor to complete a forty-hour externship consisting of on-site work experience in city, local, and exempted village school districts in the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years

**STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee**

**HB134** SCHOOL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district

**STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended**

**HB163** PREVAILING WAGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (Rep. Kristina Roegner, Rep. Craig Riedel) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

**STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee**

**HB166** WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM REVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke, Rep. Bob Cupp) To revise the laws governing the state's workforce development system, programs that may be offered by primary and secondary schools, certificates of qualification for employment, and the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency, and to designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended**

**HB170** COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Mike Duffey)

With regard to academic content standards and curriculum requirements for computer science; to revise educator qualifications regarding computer science; and to authorize public schools to establish computer science and technology funds

**STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days**

**HB176** SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS (Rep. Andrew Thompson) With regard to state achievement assessments, statewide academic content standards and model curricula, and teacher and administrator evaluations

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended**

**HB179** IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE (Rep. Candice Keller) To require state and local authorities to cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of immigration laws, to prohibit a local government that fails to do so from receiving certain state funds, to provide for the removal of officers of a local government that fails to do so, and to declare an emergency

**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee**

**HB181** ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT STANDARDS (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. Tom Brinkman) With regard to the state academic content standards and primary and secondary education assessments

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB186 COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION** (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Gary Scherer) To enact the "Blair Deduction" to allow an individual obtaining a postsecondary degree or credential from an eligible educational institution to claim an income tax deduction for qualified higher education expenses

**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB200 OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION** (Koehler, K) - To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended**

**HB203 YOUTH SUMMER JOBS INITIATIVE** (Barnes, Jr., J) - To require the Director of Development Services to establish a youth summer jobs pledging initiative to increase access to summer employment opportunities for high school and college youth

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB217 COLLEGE APPLICATIONS-DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS** (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To prohibit institutions of higher education from requiring students to disclose disciplinary actions on their applications for admission

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB220 NONPUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS** (Rep. David Leland) With regard to the use of funds by community schools and nonpublic schools

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB224 RE-SERVING SCHOOL LUNCH ITEMS** (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To permit districts and schools to re-serve time- and temperature-controlled food items to students if items are unused and returned unopened, undamaged, and in the original packaging

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB227 LICENSE PLATE-KENSTON LOCAL SCHOOLS** (Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To create the "Kenston Local Schools" license plate

**STATUS: House Transportation & Public Safety Committee – Reported out as amended**

**HB235 EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT PROCEDURE** (Rep. Theresa Gavarone) Regarding procedures for approval or disapproval of the state education plan for the federal Every Student Succeeds Act

**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee**

**HB237 MULTICOUNTY LOCAL ELECTIONS** (Rep. Dorothy Pelanda) To require a political subdivision with territory in more than one county that places an issue on

the ballot to notify the board of elections of every county in which the political subdivision has territory, to require the Secretary of State to establish a database to facilitate communication between the boards of elections and the Secretary concerning local elections, and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee**

**HB242** SCHOOL RETIREMENT-COST OF LIVING (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding School Employees Retirement System annual cost-of-living adjustments  
**STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB246** DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY CLASSROOMS (Rep. John Bocchieri, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to provide funding to certain county boards of developmental disabilities to assist in the acquisition of classroom facilities  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB262** INDEPENDENT BUDGET PROCESS (Rep. James Butler, Jr., Rep. Mark Romanchuk) To provide for the preparation of a state biennial budget independent of that submitted by the Governor and to authorize the Legislative Service Commission, upon the request of the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the President of the Senate, to arrange for an independent actuarial review of a proposed bill, specified analyses of economic policy initiatives and state benchmarking data, and a study of the state's long-range financial outlook  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee**

**HB298** PUBLIC EMPLOYEE SICK DAYS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To make changes with respect to the number of sick days provided to public employees  
**STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee**

**HB312** LOCAL GOVERNMENT CREDIT CARDS (Rep. Kirk Schuring, Rep. Dave Greenspan) Regarding use of credit cards and debit cards by political subdivisions  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**HB318** SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER DEFINITION (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To define the necessary qualifications and responsibilities of school resource officers  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB322** SCHOOL EMERGENCY PLANS (Rep. Adam Miller, Rep. Bernadine Kent) To revise the law regarding emergency management plans and school safety drills; to require each educational service center to employ an emergency response planner; to make an appropriation; and to declare an emergency  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB337** TEXTBOOK SALES TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. Mike Duffey) To exempt from sales and use tax textbooks purchased by post-secondary students  
**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB338** BUS DRIVER MEDICAL EXAMS (Rep. Tim Ginter) Regarding medical examinations for school bus drivers  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out**

**HB342** LOCAL TAX ISSUES-ELECTION DATES (Rep. Derek Merrin) To permit local tax-related proposals to appear only on general and primary election ballots and not on an August special election ballot and to modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB343** PROPERTY VALUE CONTEST-RESOLUTIONS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To require local governments that contest property values to formally pass an authorizing resolution for each contest and to notify property owners  
**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee – Reported out**

**HB360** ANTI-BULLYING AND HAZING (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To enact the "Ohio Anti-Bullying and Hazing Act" with regard to school discipline and bullying and hazing policies at public schools and public colleges  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB361** PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINTS TIMEFRAME (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To increase the time within which boards of revision must decide property tax complaints  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended**

**HB363** CAMPUS FREE SPEECH (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Andrew Brenner) To enact the "Campus Free Speech Act" with respect to the freedom of speech and assembly at state institutions of higher education and the charging and allocation of student activity fees  
**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB369** PER PUPIL FUNDING GUARANTEE (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To prescribe a per pupil funding guarantee for certain school districts and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB377** CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE EDUCATION (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Dan Ramos) With respect to age-appropriate student instruction in child sexual abuse

and sexual violence prevention and in-service staff training in child sexual abuse prevention

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB378 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT** (Rep. Ryan Smith, Rep. Jack Cera) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB383 CHILD CARE HEALTH & SAFETY RISKS** (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding parental notice of serious risks to the health or safety of children receiving child care

**STATUS: House Community & Family Advancement Committee – Reported out**

**HB396 STEM DEGREE LOAN REPAYMENT** (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To create the STEM Degree Loan Repayment Program and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB399 HEALTH INSURANCE SAVINGS INCENTIVES** (Rep. Michael Henne, Rep. James Butler, Jr.) To enact the Ohio Right to Shop Act to require health insurers to establish shared savings incentive programs for enrollees

**STATUS: House Health Committee**

**HB413 PERS ADJUSTMENT-DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES EMPLOYEES** (Rep. Gary Scherer) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) annual cost-of-living adjustments granted to allowance and benefit recipients and PERS service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities

**STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee**

**HB418 SCHOOL RECORDS TRANSFER** (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To require a public or chartered nonpublic school to transmit a student's records within five business days when the student transfers to another school

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB426 SCHOOL SEXUAL CONDUCT** (Rep. Christina Hagan) To prohibit an employee of a school or institution of higher education who is not in a position of authority from engaging in sexual conduct with certain students

**STATUS: House Criminal Justice Committee**

**HB428 STUDENT RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES ACT** (Rep. Tim Ginter, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) Regarding student religious expression and to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2018"

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB432 STUDENT LOAN OMBUDSMAN & LICENSURE** (Rep. Kristin Boggs, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require student loan servicers to be licensed by the Division of Financial Institutions and to create the position of student loan ombudsperson in the Division of Financial Institutions to provide assistance to student loan borrowers  
**STATUS: House Financial Institutions, Housing & Urban Development Committee**

**HB438 ESC ANNEXATION** (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To permit the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards and to permit a local school district to sever its territory from one educational service center and annex that territory to an adjacent service center under specified conditions  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended**

**HB442 SCHOOL ATHLETICS-F1 VISA** (Rep. Niraj Antani) To authorize any student from a country or province outside the United States who attends an elementary or secondary school in Ohio and holds an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic athletics at that school on the same basis as Ohio residents  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB443 MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION** (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To require school district boards of education to incorporate mental health instruction into their health education curricula  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB449 CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSOR RATINGS-UNIVERSITIES** (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. John Patterson) To require the Department of Education to attribute any community school sponsor ratings an entity received during its relationship with a state university board of trustees to that entity even if it no longer has a relationship with the university  
**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB477 ELIMINATE EDUCATION PROGRAMS** (Rep. Kyle Koehler) To eliminate various provisions and programs related to the Department of Education and the operation of primary and secondary schools  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB487 RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL-COMMUNITY SCHOOLS** (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To eliminate the right of first refusal for community schools, college-preparatory boarding schools, and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics schools in the acquisition of school district real property  
**STATUS: Referred to House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB488 PROPERTY TAX LEVY-BALLOT LANGUAGE** (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. John Becker) To modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies  
**STATUS: Referred to House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB491** SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS-SPECIFIED SERVICES (Rep. Jay Edwards) To require the State Board of Education to issue a substitute license to specified pupil services personnel  
**STATUS: Referred to House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB502** YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING-PUBLIC (Rep. Marlene Anielski) With regard to educator in-service training on youth suicide awareness and prevention in public schools  
**STATUS: Introduced**

**HB503** YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING-PRIVATE (Rep. Marlene Anielski) With regard to educator in-service training on youth suicide awareness and prevention in private schools  
**STATUS: Introduced**

**HB508** OHIOCORPS PILOT PROJECT (Rep. Scott Ryan, Rep. William Reineke) To establish the OhioCorps Pilot Project and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: Introduced**

**HB512** CONSOLIDATE CAREER-EDUCATION GOVERNANCE (Rep. William Reineke) To establish the Department of Learning and Achievement; to abolish the Department of Higher Education, the position of the Chancellor of Higher Education, and the Ohio Board of Regents; to transfer, with exceptions, the duties regarding the administration of primary and secondary education programs and all duties regarding the administration of higher education programs to the Department of Learning and Achievement; and to prescribe certain duties regarding educator licensure, community school sponsorship, and other education programs for the State Board of Education, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Department of Education  
**STATUS: Introduced**

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## **SENATE**

**SB3** WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (Sen. Bill Beagle, Sen. Troy Balderson) To designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week  
**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) Passed by House, Vote 93-1; Senate concurs, Vote 32-0**

**SB5** INCREASING INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS (Sen. Jay Hottinger, Sen. John Eklund) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to college savings accounts and disability expense savings accounts to \$10,000 annually for



each beneficiary, to create the Joint Committee on Ohio College Affordability, and to declare an emergency

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0; Emergency clause, Vote 32-1**

**SB8 SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY** (Sen. Randy Gardner, Sen. Louis Terhar) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

**STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days**

**SB9 AUGUST TAX HOLIDAY** (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately**

**SB10 PRIMARY ELECTION REQUIREMENTS** (Sen. Frank LaRose) To expand the circumstances under which a board of elections or the secretary of state is not required to hold a primary election

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0**

**SB15 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS** (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require community colleges, state community colleges, technical colleges, and university branches to comply with minority business enterprise set-aside requirements, and to require the Director of Administrative Services to establish guidelines for these entities, and the Northeast Ohio Medical University, to establish procurement goals for contracting with EDGE business enterprises

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB17 LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND ALLOCATION** (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To increase monthly allocations to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.68% of the total tax revenue credited to the General Revenue Fund each month

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB34 SCHOOL YEARS** (Sen. Gayle Manning) To generally require public and chartered nonpublic schools to open for instruction after Labor Day

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB36 AGRICULTURAL COMPUTATION** (Sen. Cliff Hite) To require that the computation of the capitalization rate for the purposes of determining CAUV of agricultural land be computed using a method that excludes appreciation and equity buildup and to stipulate that CAUV land used for a conservation practice or enrolled in a federal land retirement or conservation program for at least three years must be valued at the lowest of the values assigned on the basis of soil type

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0**

**SB39**COMMUNITY SCHOOL OPERATION (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding community school operator contracts, the operation of Internet- and computer-based community schools, and performance metrics for blended learning schools  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB54**SUMMER FOOD PROGRAMS (Sen. Edna Brown, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB72**PREVAILING WAGE LAW (Sen. Matt Huffman) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB79**STATE DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW SCHEDULE (Sen. Kris Jordan) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review  
**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 24-9**

**SB82**SCHOOL ABSENCES-PARENTAL NOTIFICATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require a public school to place a telephone call within one hour of the start of the school day to a parent whose child is absent without legitimate excuse  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**SB85**OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Sen. Matt Huffman) To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB88**SUBDIVISION COMMISSIONS-FISCAL EMERGENCY (Sen. Louis Terhar) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision  
**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0**

**SB97** REGIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE CREATION (Sen. Frank LaRose, Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB104** PROHIBIT SECLUSION USE-SCHOOLS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To prohibit the use of seclusion on students in public schools  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB105** MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month"  
**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 31-0**

**SB111** SCHOOL ZONE SIGN LIGHTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require school zones to be indicated by signs equipped with flashing or other lights or that indicate the times during which the restrictive speed limit is enforced, and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB123** PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINT PROCESS (Sen. William Coley) To limit the right to initiate most types of property tax complaints to the property owner and the county recorder of the county in which the property is located  
**STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee**

**SB124** COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANTS (Sen. Sandra Williams) To qualify students in noncredit community college and career and technical programs for Ohio College Opportunity Grants and to require the awarding of academic credit for community colleges' career certification programs  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Higher Education Subcommittee**

**SB133** STUDENT DISCIPLINE-VIOLENT BEHAVIOR (Sen. Frank LaRose) To require the Education Management Information System to include information regarding persons at whom a student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed and to require the Department of Education to submit a one-time report to the General Assembly regarding that information  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB140** PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To create the Public-Private Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to develop, enhance, and promote educational programs to address regional workforce needs; to create the Sector Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to identify and provide grants to industry partnerships; to support programs that improve access to workforce training opportunities for students; to support economic development and revitalization programs; and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB149** ELECTION POLLING PLACES-SCHOOLS (Sen. Frank LaRose) Regarding the use of a school district building as a polling place for elections  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB151** SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ADJUSTMENTS (Sen. Cliff Hite) To permit, rather than require, the School Employees Retirement System to grant annual cost-of-living adjustments to retirement, disability, and survivor benefit recipients and to reduce the maximum amount of the adjustment  
**STATUS: Senate Insurance & Financial Institutions Committee**

**SB172** HUNGER-FREE STUDENTS RIGHTS (Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish the Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights Act to require schools to provide certain services to students who are eligible for free or reduced price meals  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB175** RECOVERED FUNDS-SCHOOL AUDIT (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB191** ESTABLISH SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAMS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To establish the Breakfast After The Bell Program for public schools  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB196** AGGRAVATED BULLYING-OFFENSE CREATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To create the offense of aggravated bullying, a third-degree misdemeanor  
**STATUS: Senate Judiciary Committee**

**SB197** SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To require a tiered disciplinary procedure for harassment, intimidation, or bullying in school; to require annual student instruction about preventing such acts; and to create the offense of aggravated bullying as a third-degree misdemeanor  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB199** OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. Cliff Hite) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB203** MUNICIPAL TAX RULE REINSTATEMENT (Sen. Matt Dolan) To reinstate the municipal income tax "throw-back rule" used in apportioning business income among municipalities  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB209** PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS-TIF (Sen. William Coley, Sen. John Eklund) To modify the conditions that determine the relative priority of property tax exemptions when a parcel subject to a tax increment financing arrangement concurrently qualifies for another exemption

**STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee**

**SB213 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING PLAN** (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To enhance economic and employment opportunities and improve local infrastructure in Ohio by providing additional assistance to workforce development and employment programs; establishing a revolving loan program for small businesses seeking to expand operations; extending job tax credits to smaller businesses; enabling expanded participation in public sector contracting by smaller companies; enhancing support for childcare centers; funding additional local infrastructure and public transit; authorizing tax incentives for hiring military veterans, for donating money to local programs assisting distressed communities, or for improving distressed property; exempting the homes of disabled veterans from property taxation; terminating the income tax deduction and reduced tax rate for business income; and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB216 PUBLIC SCHOOL DEREGULATION ACT** (Sen. Matt Huffman) To enact the "Ohio Public School Deregulation Act" regarding the administration of preschool and primary and secondary education programs

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Bill amended**

**SB225 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS** (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. John Eklund) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

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**SB226 PERMANENT SALES TAX HOLIDAY** (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a permanent three-day sales tax "holiday" each August during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use tax

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 31-0**

**SB239 REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS** (Sen. Matt Dolan) To modify the law concerning regional councils of governments

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**SB240 REGARDING TEACHER EVALUATIONS** (Sen. Peggy Lehner) With regard to teacher evaluations

**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB241 ACCREDITED NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CATEGORY** (Sen. Louis Terhar, Sen. Cecil Thomas) To establish a category of nonpublic schools called "accredited nonpublic schools" and to prescribe requirements and exemptions for such schools

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB246 STUDENT SAFETY ACT** (Sen. Peggy Lehner, Sen. Gayle Manning) To enact the "SAFE Act" to revise the procedures for emergency removal of a student, to prohibit certain suspensions and expulsions of students in grades prekindergarten through three, to require each public school to implement a positive behavior intervention and supports framework in accordance with state standards, and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

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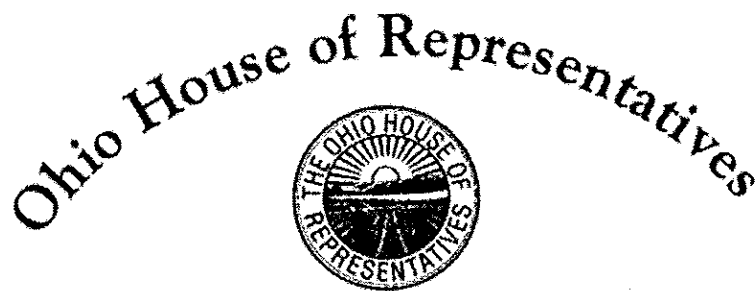
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# **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** All House Members  
**FROM:** Representative Janine Boyd and Representative Kristin Boggs  
**DATE:** February 5, 2018  
**RE:** Request for Co-Sponsorship – Paid Family and Medical Leave

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We will soon introduce legislation to create the Ohio Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program. Today we chose to send this co-sponsor request as this date marks the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of FMLA (Family Medical Leave Act). This legislation will provide 12 weeks of

family and medical leave benefits, which will permit individuals to care for a family member, bond with a new child, or address their own serious health condition.

Out of 178 countries worldwide, the United States is one of three that does not provide paid leave to new mothers. So far five states—California, New Jersey, New York, Hawaii and Rhode Island offer some sort of paid leave to men and women who provide care. The federal Family Medical Leave Act provides 12 weeks of leave for family and medical reasons. This time is unpaid and employers with fewer than 50 employees are exempt, which eliminates a large segment of workers. Ohio should lead on the issue of paid leave to grow our economy and allow working people to put family first.

The program will be under the purview of the Department of Job and Family Services. An individual would receive leave insurance benefits for: a health condition which makes him/her unable to perform their job duties; caring for a new child during after birth, adoption, or foster care placement; caring for a child, parent, or spouse who has a serious health condition; or the individual is taking any other leave as authorized by the federal Family and Medical Leave Act. In order to be eligible for program benefits, an individual must file a claim with ODJFS; must have worked at least 680 hours during the base period; premiums have been withheld and remitted for at least one year; and the leave must be for the above-mentioned purposes.

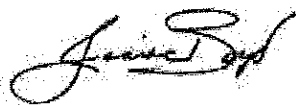
Once established, program benefits will be paid by assessing premiums on employees. Employers will be required to deduct and withhold premiums from employee's wages. However, an employer may opt to pay the contributions on behalf of employees.

An employee who is covered by an employer policy or collective bargaining agreement that provides the employee with greater leave than that provided by the Family and Medical Leave Act may elect not to participate in the Program in accordance with rules adopted by the Director. An employee who elects to opt out of participating in the Program is not liable for any premium or contribution that would otherwise be due under the Program.

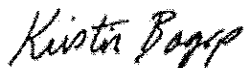
Working people in Ohio should not have to worry about losing their job or falling behind financially just to take care of a sick child or relative; address their own serious health condition; or care for and bond with their newborn child. Ohio cities like Dayton and Cincinnati are leading on leave. By allowing working people to put their family first, we can truly make Ohio a better place to live, work, and raise a family.

If you have any questions or would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Dominic Paretti, at 614-644-5079 or via email at [Dominic.Paretti@OhioHouse.Gov](mailto:Dominic.Paretti@OhioHouse.Gov) and Serena Finlay, 614-466-1896 or via email at [Serena.Finlay@OhioHouse.Gov](mailto:Serena.Finlay@OhioHouse.Gov). **The deadline to co-sponsor is Friday, March 9 at 4:00pm.**





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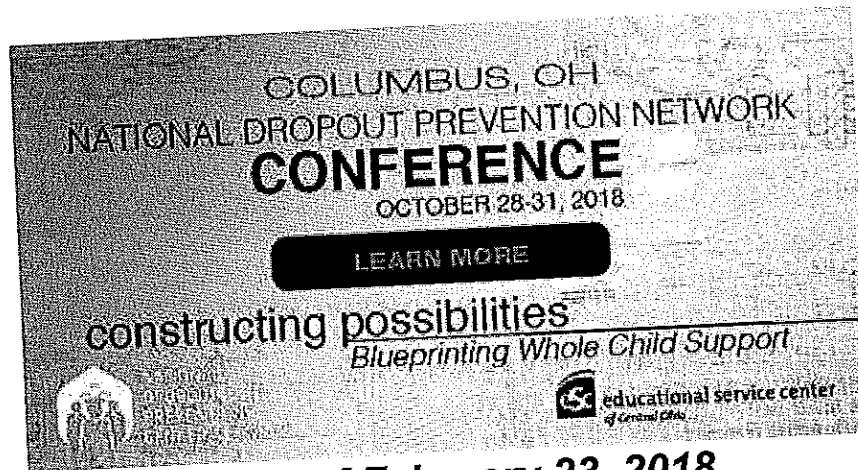
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**Subject:** Weekly Wrap 2/23/18 - A service of the ESC of Central Ohio - School Safety

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**Week of February 23, 2018**

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# FEATURED ITEMS

**SCHOOL SAFETY DISCUSSIONS TAKE CENTER STAGE** – In the wake of last week's school shooting in Parkland, Florida, national, state and local officials have all turned their focus to the subject. Here in Ohio, House Education and Career Readiness Committee Chair Rep. Andrew Brenner announced the committee will take a comprehensive look at school safety and hold hearings on placeholder legislation.

## Trump: Nation Should Consider Arming Teachers to Prevent School Shootings – EdWeek

- After hearing the heartbreaking stories of school shooting survivors and of parents who have lost children in massacres, President Donald Trump said Wednesday that the country should seriously consider arming educators and training them to use weapons to deal with mass shootings

## DeVos and Democrats Urge Congress to Hold Hearings on School Shootings – New York Times

- A chorus of Democratic lawmakers have joined the education secretary, Betsy DeVos, in calling for Congress to act after a gunman killed 17 people at a high school in Parkland, Fla

## 'I Worry Every Day': Lockdown Drills Prompt Fear, Self-Reflection After School Shooting – EdWeek

- For many teachers, the realization sets in during these drills that "if the door opens, they're coming for me and my kids," Myers said. "My responsibility is the kids and to keep them safe, and if I don't get that door closed tight enough, they're coming for me"

## Trauma Bags and Armed Guards: Securing Schools without Creating a Fortress – NPR

- Tom Moore's head of school security recently came to him with a suggestion: trauma bags. These are tools the military often uses in battle and include clotting agents to stop massive wounds. Schools are now stocking up

#### **Brenner Plans School Safety Review, Legislation – Hannah**

- The House Education Committee plans to take a "comprehensive look" at school safety, according to its chairman, Rep. Andrew Brenner (R-Powell)

#### **Franklin County Wants to Lead Safety Discussion among Area School Districts – Columbus Dispatch**

- Seeking to address school safety concerns, Franklin County's commissioners want to convene a community discussion about making area students safe

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#### **Local Students Join Nationwide Protests against School Violence – Columbus Dispatch**

- Besides the two local protests, students in Florida, Iowa, Pennsylvania, Texas, Virginia and Washington, D.C., and other places across the U.S. also protested

#### **Shooting Worries Have 'Become Our New Normal,' Columbus Students Protestors Say – Columbus Dispatch**

- Two dozen students protested outside the Statehouse on Thursday to call for stricter gun laws, eight days after a shooter killed 17 people and injured another 15 in a Florida high school

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#### **Diocese of Columbus Names New School Superintendent – Madison Press**

- Bishop Frederick F. Campbell has appointed Adam Dufault Episcopal Moderator of Catholic Education and Superintendent of Schools for the Catholic Diocese of Columbus, effective Monday, April 30

## **BEXLEY CITY SCHOOLS**

### **District Hires Company for Plan Help – This Week**

- At their Feb. 12 meeting, school board members unanimously approved a contract to hire Cincinnati-based consulting firm Leadership Excelleration Inc. to administer the strategic plan

## **BIG WALNUT LOCAL SCHOOLS**

### **Board Talks Safety – Sunbury News**

- The school shooting earlier this week in Parkland, Florida, that took the lives of 17 students and teachers weighed heavily on the board and administrators' minds

## **COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS**

### **Akron School Superintendent Seeks Top Job in Columbus – Columbus Dispatch**

- On Monday afternoon, with schools closed for Presidents Day, Akron Superintendent David W. James was making the two-hour drive south to Columbus to interview for the top job in the state's largest school district

### **Bell Out as Columbus School Board Cuts Superintendent Finalists to Two – Columbus Dispatch**

- The next Columbus City Schools superintendent will be chosen from two candidates, one who already holds the job temporarily and one from northeastern Ohio

### **Public Forums This Week on City Schools' Financial Issues – Columbus Dispatch**

- If residents missed Columbus City Schools' public forum Monday night to talk about the district's troubling financial forecast and what cuts might be made, there are three more this week

## **DUBLIN CITY SCHOOLS**

### **State of the Community Address: City, Schools to Highlight Cooperation – This Week**

- For the first time in a long time, the city and school district will partner in a community address

## **EASTLAND-FAIRFIELD CAREER & TECHNICAL SCHOOLS**

### **Tech Schools Working with Businesses Hungry for Trained Workers – Columbus Dispatch**

- Career-technical education — once known as vocational training — is in vogue. The economy has bounced back after the Great Recession, but the worker supply has not met demand

## **FAIRBANKS LOCAL SCHOOLS**

### **Fairbanks to Introduce Robotics Course – Marysville Journal-Tribune**

- Fairbanks Middle School will be getting a new robotic course next school year as a way to step up science education

## **GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS CITY SCHOOLS**

### **Student-Created Course Highlights District's Uniqueness – This Week District Notebook**

- Andy Culp, superintendent of Grandview Heights City Schools, writes that they encourage their students and staff to step outside their comfort zones to explore their passions, develop purpose and unlock their potential

## **GROVEPORT MADISON LOCAL SCHOOLS**

### **No Decision on Search for Superintendent – This Week**

- The Groveport Madison Board of Education hasn't decided yet whether or how to conduct a search for a new superintendent, but it did proceed as expected last week and named John Hurd the district's interim superintendent

### **Hurd Named Interim Groveport Madison Superintendent – Columbus Messenger**

- The Groveport Madison Board of Education named district Deputy Superintendent John Hurd to serve as interim superintendent

## **NEW ALBANY-PLAIN LOCAL SCHOOLS**

### **Lori Lofton Will Succeed Troyer as New Albany-Plain Local Assistant Superintendent – This Week**

- New Albany-Plain Local School District leaders have selected Lori Lofton to replace Marilyn Troyer as assistant superintendent, according to an email release Feb. 21

### **Focusing on Well-Being Can Help Students Achieve – This Week Eagle Eye on Education**

- Michael Sawyers, superintendent of New Albany-Plain Local Schools, writes that each student in the district deserves to be healthy, safe, engaged, supported and challenged

## **REYNOLDSBURG CITY SCHOOLS**



### **Event Centers on Healthy Lifestyles – This Week**

- From learning CPR to making healthy meals or lowering your blood pressure, the third annual (HS)2 Academy Community Health Fair at Reynoldsburg High School is all about creating a healthy lifestyle, Principal Dawn McCloud said

### **Safety Emphasized at Reynoldsburg Schools – Columbus Messenger**

- Conversation centered around the recent school shooting in Parkland, Fla. at the Feb. 20 Reynoldsburg Board of Education meeting, with a presentation on safety plans in place for Reynoldsburg City Schools

### **SOUTH-WESTERN CITY SCHOOLS**

#### **School's Club Promotes Positive Traits, Service – This Week**

- A pilot program at Jackson Middle School offers the premise that leaders can be cultivated

### **WORTHINGTON CITY SCHOOLS**

#### **Bowers Outlines 'Three-Pronged' Approach to Security at Worthington Schools – This Week**

- In the wake of a mass shooting that left 17 dead last week at a Florida high school, Worthington Schools is one of the many districts examining and reviewing their procedures to determine how they can prevent a similar tragedy

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### **Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education**

#### **School Board Chief Assigns Committee to Review Report Card – Hannah**

- The State Board of Education's Accountability and Continuous Improvement committee, along with a handful of external stakeholders, will review the state report card with an eye toward recommending both short- and long-term recommendations

#### **Revised Ohio Standards for Principals Open for Public Comment – ODE**

- The Ohio Department of Education, with guidance from an advisory workgroup of principals, superintendents and others, revised the Ohio Standards for Principals to better reflect the roles and responsibilities of today's building leaders. The Department posted a draft of the standards and invites educator and public review and comment from Feb. 16 through March

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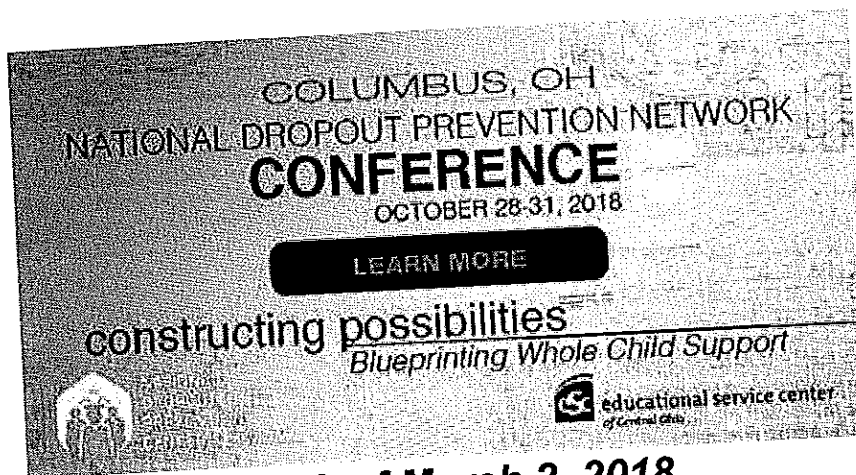
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# FEATURED ITEMS

**OHIO BILL WOULD CONSOLIDATE STATE EDUCATION, WORKFORCE TRANSFORMATION GOVERNANCE** – Ohio legislative members of the House Government Oversight & Accountability Committee heard proponent testimony this week regarding House Bill 512 (HB512), sponsored by Rep. William Reineke. Provisions currently included in the bill would: create the Department of Learning and Achievement (DLA) to oversee primary, secondary and postsecondary education; specify that the DLA is administered by the Director of Learning and Achievement, who is appointed by the Governor with advice and consent of the Senate; require the Director to appoint assistant directors of higher education and workforce transformation and other assistant directors where deemed necessary; transfer most powers and duties of the State Board of Education, Superintendent of Public Instruction and Ohio Department of Education (ODE) and all of the powers and duties of the Chancellor of Higher Education and Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation to the DLA; retain some of the existing powers and duties of the State Board, Superintendent and ODE, but transfer rule-making authority regarding those powers and duties to the DLA; and more. (NOTE: Ohio education- and local government-related legislative updates are included at the end of each Weekly Wrap.)

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## OHIO

### ***Central Ohio Schools***

#### **Some Schools in Central Ohio Closed, Students Charged over Threats – Columbus Dispatch**

- A flood of threats against central Ohio schools prompted decisions Friday to deploy extra Columbus police officers to city schools and to close schools in other area districts

### **BIG WALNUT LOCAL SCHOOLS**

#### **ODE Recognizes New Purple Star Schools – Hannah**

- State Superintendent of Public Instruction Paolo DeMaria Wednesday announced that 44 Ohio schools in 25 school districts (including Big Walnut) received the Purple Star designation for their commitment to serving military-connected students and families

#### **School Helps Its Military Families through 'Trials' – This Week**

- Big Walnut Middle School has received a Purple Star Award from the Ohio Department of Education, recognizing its commitment to students and families connected to the nation's military

## **CHILLICOTHE CITY SCHOOLS**

### **Florida School Shooting Puts Ross County School Districts, Law Enforcement on High Alert – Chillicothe Gazette**

- Superintendents at Zane Trace, Chillicothe, Adena and Huntington who responded to questions submitted to all Ross County public school superintendents noted everything possible is done to limit access to buildings from the outside, with all utilizing a system in which visitors must be buzzed into the building by someone in the school offices

### **With Eye on Performance, Chillicothe High School Eyes Significant Schedule Reform – Chillicothe Gazette**

- A team of Chillicothe City Schools educators is pushing for scheduling changes in the high school after seeing data revealing some dramatic differences between students' performance in the classroom and performance on standardized tests

### **Ross County Overdose Deaths Decline in 2017, But Officials Still keep Up the Fight – Chillicothe Gazette**

- Ohio's drug overdose deaths in 2017 are expected to break another record in Ohio, but not in Ross County. Here, after essentially holding steady in 2016, there were 10 fewer overdose deaths despite the increased presence of synthetic opiates fentanyl and carfentanyl

## **COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS**

### **Akron Superintendent Says No to Columbus Schools – Columbus Dispatch**

- The interim superintendent is now the lone finalist for the top job at the Columbus City Schools, but no action was taken to remove the "interim" from that title at a special Wednesday night school board meeting

## **EASTLAND FAIRFIELD CAREER & TECHNICAL SCHOOLS**

### **Career-Tech Classes Back in Vogue – This Week**

- Ask Eastland-Fairfield Career & Technical Schools Superintendent Bonnie Hopkins what's changed in the 50 years the school has been in existence and she'll offer a one-word answer: "Everything"

## **LICKING HEIGHTS LOCAL SCHOOLS**

### **L.H. School Superintendent Hopes for 'Healing' in Wake of Threats – Newark Advocate**

- As investigations continue regarding verbal threats and racial statements left on a Licking Heights Central Middle School bathroom wall, Superintendent Philip Wagner hopes a process of healing and a return to normalcy is also setting in

## **MARYSVILLE SCHOOLS**

### **Finalists Named for ECHS Principal – Marysville Journal-Tribune**

- Marysville School District officials knew four years ago they would be engaged in a principal search in 2018

## **OLENTANGY LOCAL SCHOOLS**

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### **Olentangy Students Describe Racism They Face at School – Columbus Dispatch**

- The presentation was not the kind that high school students should have to spend weeks preparing. But the topic — racism — was something the students say they face

## **UPPER ARLINGTON CITY SCHOOLS**

### **Upper Arlington Leaders Promise Focus on School Safety – This Week**

- The lower level of Upper Arlington High School's auditorium was at capacity Feb. 27 and a small crowd overflowed into the balcony as the community came out to hear how the district and local police and fire forces plan to address safety in the wake of continued school shootings nationwide

## **WESTERVILLE CITY SCHOOLS**

### **District Treasurer Candidates Stand at 12 – This Week**

- Officials with the Westerville City School District were scheduled to begin interviewing treasurer candidates this week

## **WHITEHALL CITY SCHOOLS**

### **SRO: Fallout From Fights Can Be Severe – This Week**

- Whitehall-Yearling High School students heard a message last week that the school's resource officer says was well-received -- and it's a message he plans to build on

### **Fair Cuts Paths for Those Forgoing College – This Week**

- While the school has hosted similar events in the past, this career fair was unique, as it offered career options and job opportunities for students who don't plan to attend college

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## ***Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education***

### **Regional Hearings Set for Input on Proposed Strategic Plan for Education – Hannah**

- As they continue drafting a five-year strategic plan for education, the Ohio Department of Education and the State Board of Education are inviting comment on the plan at 11 regional hearings scheduled for March and April

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### **OhioMeansJobs – Readiness Seal Rubric for Mentors and Business Leaders Now Online – ODE**

- The rubric gives examples of what a student will be able to do at various levels of skill development. The levels are: beginner, developing, proficient and expert. The rubric can assist students and mentors as they work together to develop a plan of action so students can advance through the skill levels to achieve the proficient rating to earn the Readiness Seal

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## ***Joint Education Oversight Committee***

### **Manning to Chair Education Oversight Committee – Hannah**

- Senate President Larry Obhof (R-Medina) announced Monday the appointment of Sen. Gayle Manning (R-North Ridgeville) as chair of the Joint Education Oversight Committee

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## ***Ohio School Finance & Budget***

### **Ohio among Top States in Education Funding for Districts with Poor and Minority Students, Study Finds – Columbus Dispatch**

- Ohio does better than almost all other states in directing school funding to poor and minority students, according to a national report released

### **Legislators Debut \$2.6B Capital Budget – Hannah**

- Lawmakers introduced the \$2.6 billion capital budget for FY19-20 Monday, highlighting a \$222 million portion dedicated to addiction and other health and human services purposes

### **Keen Presents Capital Budget Details to Lawmakers – Hannah**

- Budget Director Tim Keen briefed legislators Tuesday on the FY19-20 capital budget, reviewing major spending proposals for prisons, schools, dam safety and health and human services facilities

### **Tax Conformity Legislation Speeds to Passage; Concerns over 529 Provisions Raised – Hannah**

- While saying she understands the need to conform Ohio law to the federal law, Boyd said she is "tired of the tax shifts" that negatively affect local schools. She referenced specifically the provision of the substitute bill that extends Ohio's income tax deduction for 529 plan contributions to include contributions made to pay for K-12 expenses in addition to those made for higher education expenses

### **Ohio House Passes Tax Breaks for K-12 School Costs – Columbus Dispatch**

- The Ohio House passed a new \$20 million income-tax deduction that critics say will largely benefit the state's wealthy who are saving to pay for their children's private education

### **Legislation Aims for 'Truth in Advertising' for Local Property Tax Levies – Hannah**

- Reps. Ron Hood (R-Ashville) and John Becker (R-Cincinnati) joined with witness Carolyn Blow Tuesday to make the case for improving the transparency of local property tax levies by passing HB488

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## ***Ohio Education & Public Policy***

**Yost Announces School Security Plan – Hannah**

- Republican attorney general candidate and current Auditor Dave Yost announced his campaign's three-point plan aimed at increasing school security

**Dave Yost Urges Ohio Legislature to Combat School Shootings – Cleveland Plain Dealer**

- Republican attorney general candidate Dave Yost on Monday called on the Ohio legislature to adopt his new plan to combat school shootings in Ohio

**Ohio Statehouse Will Soon See New Type of Gun Debates – Columbus Dispatch**

- As the Ohio House speaker on Wednesday indicated willingness to consider gun measures and back additional funds for school safety, Columbus city officials called on Gov. John Kasich to push for state gun-control measures

**House Sends Dating Violence Bill to Governor; Speaker Talks Guns, Pot – Hannah**

- Rosenberger told reporters that his caucus will take time to "review" gun laws and legislation in the aftermath of the recent mass shooting in a Florida high school

**Kasich Unveils Six Proposals for New Gun Control Legislation in Ohio – Hannah**

- Gov. John Kasich unveiled six proposals for new gun control legislation Thursday, culminating months of debate and final agreement among a "diverse" panel first convened last November. Proposals were notable for what they did include, such as a new gun violence protection order (GVPO) and firearms ban on domestic violence offenders, and for what they did not. Recommendations contain no age restrictions or limitations on military assault weapons, though the governor said the group will continue its work

**Ohio Bill Requires 40 Hours of Training for Officers in Schools – Dayton Daily News**

- An Ohio House bill would standardize the qualifications and training for police officers serving as school resource officers

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## **NATIONAL/WORLD**

### ***Federal & US Department of Education***

#### **USDOE Officially Proposes Delay of Special Education Bias Rule – EdWeek**

- As expected, the U.S. Department of Education is seeking to delay by two years a rule that would require states to use a standard method in monitoring how school districts identify and serve minority students with disabilities

#### **Justice Gorsuch Silent as Supreme Court Weighs Public Employee Union Fees – EdWeek**



- The U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments Monday in a major case about public-employee unions, with four justices appearing to support upholding agency fees for nonunion members and four other justices giving every indication that they are inclined to overrule a 40-year-old precedent that authorized such fees

#### **After Supreme Court Declines to Hear Trump's Appeal, DACA Is Still on the Books – Edweek**

- On Monday, the U.S. Supreme Court declined to take up a lawsuit over the future of DACA, which protects 690,000 undocumented immigrants from deportation and grant them work permits

#### **Besty DeVos Wants to Direct Federal Funds to School Choice, STEM, Workforce Readiness – EdWeek**

- U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos will give applicants for federal grants a leg-up if they are planning to embrace things like school choice, STEM, literacy school climate, effective instruction, career preparation, and serving military-connected children and students in special education

#### **Trump Stuns Lawmakers with Seeming Embrace of Comprehensive Gun Control – New York Times**

- President Trump stunned Republicans on live television Wednesday by embracing gun control and urging a group of lawmakers at the White House to resurrect gun safety legislation that has been opposed for years by the powerful National Rifle Association and the vast majority of his party

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#### **States Confront New Mandate on School-Spending Transparency – EdWeek**

- A tricky financial-transparency requirement in the Every Student Succeeds Act has cranked up tensions among state politicians, school district administrators, and civil rights activists over public understanding of how districts divvy up their money among schools

### **The Next Court Case Against Teachers' Unions Attacks Opt-Out Rules – EdWeek**

- The day after the U.S. Supreme Court justices heard arguments for and against compulsory union fees for nonmembers, three teachers gathered downtown to discuss the next big case that could potentially hammer teachers' unions: *Yohn v. California Teachers Association*

### **States Should Use Data to Curb Teacher Shortages, Report Says – EdWeek**

- Too few states are using data to determine if their supply of teachers is meeting the demand of school districts. Currently, 29 states track the number of teacher-prep graduates and their certification fields, according to the report. But only eight states compare those numbers against their local districts' hiring stats to make sure teacher-prep programs are producing the candidates districts need

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## ***Standards & Assessments***

### **When Do States Share Assessment Data? – THE Journal**

- Just one state delivers final results to educators in the spring; nine others provide preliminary results. Most supply state test scores during the summer of the year when the test was given; seven states issue preliminary results, and 22 provide final results

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## ***Digital Convergence***

### **Common Sense Introduces Simpler Privacy Ratings – THE Journal**

- Currently, Curriki is "not recommended," while Edmodo gets a "use with caution," and EduTone receives a "use responsibly." These are the simpler privacy ratings that Common Sense Media has begun using for the education technology apps it covers on its education websites. The goal, according to Bill Fitzgerald, the non-profit's Privacy Initiative director: "to make privacy and security more accessible"

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## ***Personalized Learning Frameworks***

### **Visioning Toolkit: Laying the Groundwork for a Community-Wide Vision for Personalized Learning – KnowledgeWorks**

- If you really want to change the system, a vision must be created by and lived throughout your community. District leaders can't do this work alone, and neither can teachers. The entire community needs to lift up learning, support teachers and encourage students to learn both in and outside of school. Because this work is bigger than just your district – it belongs to the entire learning community

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## ***Charter Schools***

### **Bigger Bang, Fewer Bucks? The Productivity of Public Charter Schools in Eight U.S. Cities – University of Arkansas**

- In this report, we examine the differences in cost-effectiveness and ROI for public charter schools and traditional public schools (TPS) in eight major cities in the United States

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## ***Special Education***

### **USDOE Officially Proposes Delay of Special Education Bias Rule – EdWeek**

- As expected, the U.S. Department of Education is seeking to delay by two years a rule that would require states to use a standard method in monitoring how school districts identify and serve minority students with disabilities

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## ***School Safety & Discipline***

### **Students Are Walking Out to Protest Gun Violence. What Should School Administrators Do? – EdWeek**

- In the wake of the Feb. 14 shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla., which left 17 dead, students are planning mass walkouts to protest gun violence and call for more gun-safety measures. But across the country, the responses from school and district administrators have varied

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## ***Mental Health & Wellness***

### **Pediatricians Call for Universal Depression Screening for Teens – NPR**

- Only about 50 percent of adolescents with depression get diagnosed before reaching adulthood. And as many as 2 in 3 depressed teens don't get the care that could help them

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## ***Career- and Postsecondary-Readiness***

### **More Community Colleges Using Multiple Measures for Readiness – Inside Higher Ed**

- A new study from the Center for the Analysis of Postsecondary Readiness has found that an increasing number of public, two-year colleges are using multiple measurements beyond standardized tests to place students in college-level math and reading courses

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## ***Postsecondary & Workforce Development***

### **Collaborating on Completion – Inside Higher Ed**

- A group of 100 public universities will work with the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities to produce hundreds of thousands of additional degrees while also reducing achievement gaps for underrepresented student groups

### **Focus on Student Success Increases Well-Being – Inside Higher Ed**

- Most community colleges don't view graduation rates alone as a measure of success. For many of them, transfer and job placement are equally viewed as successes. But a new survey from Gallup shows that there are other ways, particularly after graduation, to measure the success of two-year colleges

### **ACE Initiative Looks to Turn Workplace Experience into verified Professional Credentials – Education DIVE**

- The American Council on Education announced in a new initiative that will convert work experience in a variety of fields into valid professional credentials accessible online to prospective employers

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# Ohio Legislation Update

(Recent bill action in RED. Signed into law by Governor in GREEN.)

## HOUSE

**HB3** DATAOHIO BOARD CREATION (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Christina Hagan) To create the DataOhio Board, to specify requirements for posting public records online, to require the Auditor of State to adopt rules regarding a uniform accounting system for public offices, to establish an online catalog of public data at data.Ohio.gov, to establish the Local Government Information Exchange Grant Program, and to make appropriations  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee – Reported out**

**HB8** PUBLIC RECORDS-MINORS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To exempt from the Public Records Law certain information concerning a minor that is included in a record related to a traffic accident involving a school vehicle in which the minor was an occupant at the time of the accident  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Local Government, Public Safety & Veterans Affairs Committee – Reported out**

**HB14** AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION (Rep. Kathleen Clyde) To require that eligible persons in certain government and school databases be automatically registered to vote or have their registrations updated automatically unless those persons decline and to expand how a voter may register or update their registration through the online voter registration system  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee**

**HB21** COMMUNITY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION (Rep. Steve Hambley) Regarding verification of community school enrollments  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee**

**HB37** SCHOOL SAFETY-STRUCTURES (Rep. Steve Arndt) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB40** GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE DATABASE (Rep. Jonathan Dever, Rep. Dave Greenspan) To require the Treasurer of State to establish the Ohio State Government Expenditure Database

**Status: House State & Local Government Committee**

**HB47** STUDENTS IN MILITARY (Rep. John Boccieri) To enact the "Students to Soldiers Support Act (S3A)" regarding the participation of students who are serving in the uniformed services in extracurricular activities at public and nonpublic schools and public and private colleges

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB49** OPERATING BUDGET (Rep. Ryan Smith) Creates FY 2018-2019 main operating budget

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective July 1, 2017**

**HB51** DEPARTMENT REVIEW SCHEDULE (Rep. Keith Faber) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

**STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended**

**HB53** PUBLIC EMPLOYEES-MEMBER DUES (Rep. John Becker) To remove any requirement under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law that public employees join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit public employers from requiring public employees to join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit an employee organization from being required to represent public employees who are not members of the employee organization, and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB58** CURSIVE HANDWRITING INSTRUCTION (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Marilyn Slaby) To require instruction in cursive handwriting

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB66** UNDERGRAD MISSION STUDY COMMITTEE (Rep. Ron Young) To require permanently tenured state university or college faculty members to teach at least three credit hours of undergraduate courses per semester

**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee**

**HB69** LEVY REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT (Rep. Bob Cupp) To require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district

**STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days**

**HB74** INCREASE COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. Stephen Huffman, Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for

contributions to the state's 529 college savings program from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per beneficiary per year

**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB77**SICK-CHILD CARE LICENSURE (Rep. Wes Retherford) To provide for the licensure of sick-child care centers

**STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee**

**HB80**SCHOOL FOOD-SUMMER INTERVENTION (Rep. Sarah LaTourette, Rep. Kent Smith) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**HB87**COMMUNITY SCHOOL PUBLIC MONEYS (Rep. Kristina Roegner) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended**

**HB89**AUGUST SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB98**CAREER INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Kristin Boggs) Regarding the presentation of career information to students

**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee – Bill amended**

**HB102** SCHOOL FUNDING REFORM (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To replace locally levied school district property taxes with a statewide property tax and require recipients of certain tax exemptions to reimburse the state for such levy revenue lost due to those exemptions; to increase the state sales and use tax rates and allocate additional revenue to state education purposes; to repeal school district income taxes; to require the Treasurer of State to issue general obligation bonds to refund certain school district debt obligations; to create a new system of funding schools where the state pays a specified amount per student that each student may use to attend the public or chartered nonpublic school of the student's choice, without the requirement of a local contribution; to eliminate the School Facilities Commission; to eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program, Pilot Project Scholarship Program, Autism Scholarship Program, and Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program; to eliminate interdistrict open enrollment; to require educational service centers to transport students on a countywide basis; and to permit school districts to enter into a memoranda of understanding for one district to manage another

**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB103 FISCAL EMERGENCY PROVISIONS** (Rep. William Reineke) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective October 17, 2017**

**HB108 INFORMED STUDENT DOCUMENT ACT** (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Robert McColley) To require one-half unit of financial literacy in the high school curriculum, to require the Chancellor of Higher Education to prepare an informed student document for each institution of higher education, to require the State Board of Education to include information on the informed student document in the standards and model curricula it creates for financial literacy and entrepreneurship, and to entitle the act the "Informed Student Document Act"

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended**

**HB110 COLLEGE CREDIT APPRENTICESHIPS** (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Bill Dean) To create a subprogram of the College Credit Plus Program that permits students to participate in certified apprenticeship programs

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended**

**HB118 TAX COMPLAINT DISMISSAL** (Rep. Derek Merrin) To expressly prohibit the dismissal of a property tax complaint for failure to correctly identify the property owner

**STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0**

**HB124 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL TAX LEVY** (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To authorize a joint vocational school district to submit the question of a renewal tax levy to voters who did not have an opportunity to vote on the levy at an election held in November of 2015 because the levy was only placed on the ballot in one of several counties in which the district has territory

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately**

**HB129 SCHOOL EXTERNSHIPS-GOVERNOR** (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require the Governor to complete a forty-hour externship consisting of on-site work experience in city, local, and exempted village school districts in the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years

**STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee**

**HB134 SCHOOL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS** (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district



**STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended**

**HB163** PREVAILING WAGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (Rep. Kristina Roegner, Rep. Craig Riedel) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

**STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee**

**HB166** WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM REVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke, Rep. Bob Cupp) To revise the laws governing the state's workforce development system, programs that may be offered by primary and secondary schools, certificates of qualification for employment, and the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency, and to designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended**

**HB170** COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Mike Duffey)  
With regard to academic content standards and curriculum requirements for computer science; to revise educator qualifications regarding computer science; and to authorize public schools to establish computer science and technology funds

**STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days**

**HB176** SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS (Rep. Andrew Thompson) With regard to state achievement assessments, statewide academic content standards and model curricula, and teacher and administrator evaluations

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended**

**HB179** IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE (Rep. Candice Keller) To require state and local authorities to cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of immigration laws, to prohibit a local government that fails to do so from receiving certain state funds, to provide for the removal of officers of a local government that fails to do so, and to declare an emergency

**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee**

**HB181** ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT STANDARDS (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. Tom Brinkman) With regard to the state academic content standards and primary and secondary education assessments

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB186** COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Gary Scherer) To enact the "Blair Deduction" to allow an individual obtaining a postsecondary degree or credential from an eligible educational institution to claim an income tax deduction for qualified higher education expenses

**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB200** OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Koehler, K) - To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended**

**HB203** YOUTH SUMMER JOBS INITIATIVE (Barnes, Jr., J) - To require the Director of Development Services to establish a youth summer jobs pledging initiative to increase access to summer employment opportunities for high school and college youth  
**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB217** COLLEGE APPLICATIONS-DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To prohibit institutions of higher education from requiring students to disclose disciplinary actions on their applications for admission  
**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB220** NONPUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS (Rep. David Leland) With regard to the use of funds by community schools and nonpublic schools  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB224** RE-SERVING SCHOOL LUNCH ITEMS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To permit districts and schools to re-serve time- and temperature-controlled food items to students if items are unused and returned unopened, undamaged, and in the original packaging  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB227** LICENSE PLATE-KENSTON LOCAL SCHOOLS (Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To create the "Kenston Local Schools" license plate  
**STATUS: House Transportation & Public Safety Committee – Reported out as amended**

**HB235** EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT PROCEDURE (Rep. Theresa Gavarone) Regarding procedures for approval or disapproval of the state education plan for the federal Every Student Succeeds Act  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee**

**HB237** MULTICOUNTY LOCAL ELECTIONS (Rep. Dorothy Pelanda) To require a political subdivision with territory in more than one county that places an issue on the ballot to notify the board of elections of every county in which the political subdivision has territory, to require the Secretary of State to establish a database to facilitate communication between the boards of elections and the Secretary concerning local elections, and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee**

**HB242** SCHOOL RETIREMENT-COST OF LIVING (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding School Employees Retirement System annual cost-of-living adjustments  
**STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB246** DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY CLASSROOMS (Rep. John Bocchieri, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to provide funding to certain county boards of developmental disabilities to assist in the acquisition of classroom facilities  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB262** INDEPENDENT BUDGET PROCESS (Rep. James Butler, Jr., Rep. Mark Romanchuk) To provide for the preparation of a state biennial budget independent of that submitted by the Governor and to authorize the Legislative Service Commission, upon the request of the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the President of the Senate, to arrange for an independent actuarial review of a proposed bill, specified analyses of economic policy initiatives and state benchmarking data, and a study of the state's long-range financial outlook  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee**

**HB298** PUBLIC EMPLOYEE SICK DAYS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To make changes with respect to the number of sick days provided to public employees  
**STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee**

**HB312** LOCAL GOVERNMENT CREDIT CARDS (Rep. Kirk Schuring, Rep. Dave Greenspan) Regarding use of credit cards and debit cards by political subdivisions  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**HB318** SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER DEFINITION (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To define the necessary qualifications and responsibilities of school resource officers  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted & reported out**

**HB322** SCHOOL EMERGENCY PLANS (Rep. Adam Miller, Rep. Bernadine Kent) To revise the law regarding emergency management plans and school safety drills; to require each educational service center to employ an emergency response planner; to make an appropriation; and to declare an emergency  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB337** TEXTBOOK SALES TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. Mike Duffey) To exempt from sales and use tax textbooks purchased by post-secondary students  
**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee – Reported out as amended**

**HB338** BUS DRIVER MEDICAL EXAMS (Rep. Tim Ginter) Regarding medical examinations for school bus drivers  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**HB342** LOCAL TAX ISSUES-ELECTION DATES (Rep. Derek Merrin) To permit local tax-related proposals to appear only on general and primary election ballots and not on an August special election ballot and to modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended**

**HB343** PROPERTY VALUE CONTEST-RESOLUTIONS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To require local governments that contest property values to formally pass an authorizing resolution for each contest and to notify property owners  
**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee – Reported out**

**HB360** ANTI-BULLYING AND HAZING (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To enact the "Ohio Anti-Bullying and Hazing Act" with regard to school discipline and bullying and hazing policies at public schools and public colleges  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB361** PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINTS TIMEFRAME (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To increase the time within which boards of revision must decide property tax complaints  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended**

**HB363** CAMPUS FREE SPEECH (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Andrew Brenner) To enact the "Campus Free Speech Act" with respect to the freedom of speech and assembly at state institutions of higher education and the charging and allocation of student activity fees  
**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB369** PER PUPIL FUNDING GUARANTEE (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To prescribe a per pupil funding guarantee for certain school districts and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB377** CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE EDUCATION (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Dan Ramos) With respect to age-appropriate student instruction in child sexual abuse and sexual violence prevention and in-service staff training in child sexual abuse prevention  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB378 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT** (Rep. Ryan Smith, Rep. Jack Cera)  
To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB383 CHILD CARE HEALTH & SAFETY RISKS** (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding parental notice of serious risks to the health or safety of children receiving child care  
**STATUS: House Community & Family Advancement Committee – Reported out**

**HB396 STEM DEGREE LOAN REPAYMENT** (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To create the STEM Degree Loan Repayment Program and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB399 HEALTH INSURANCE SAVINGS INCENTIVES** (Rep. Michael Henne, Rep. James Butler, Jr.) To enact the Ohio Right to Shop Act to require health insurers to establish shared savings incentive programs for enrollees  
**STATUS: House Health Committee**

**HB413 PERS ADJUSTMENT-DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES EMPLOYEES** (Rep. Gary Scherer) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) annual cost-of-living adjustments granted to allowance and benefit recipients and PERS service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities  
**STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee**

**HB418 SCHOOL RECORDS TRANSFER** (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To require a public or chartered nonpublic school to transmit a student's records within five business days when the student transfers to another school  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB426 SCHOOL SEXUAL CONDUCT** (Rep. Christina Hagan) To prohibit an employee of a school or institution of higher education who is not in a position of authority from engaging in sexual conduct with certain students  
**STATUS: House Criminal Justice Committee**

**HB428 STUDENT RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES ACT** (Rep. Tim Ginter, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) Regarding student religious expression and to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2018"  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB432 STUDENT LOAN OMBUDSMAN & LICENSURE** (Rep. Kristin Boggs, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require student loan servicers to be licensed by the Division of Financial Institutions and to create the position of student loan ombudsperson in the Division of Financial Institutions to provide assistance to student loan borrowers

**STATUS: House Financial Institutions, Housing & Urban Development Committee**

**HB438** ESC ANNEXATION (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To permit the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards and to permit a local school district to sever its territory from one educational service center and annex that territory to an adjacent service center under specified conditions

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out**

**HB442** SCHOOL ATHLETICS-F1 VISA (Rep. Niraj Antani) To authorize any student from a country or province outside the United States who attends an elementary or secondary school in Ohio and holds an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic athletics at that school on the same basis as Ohio residents

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB443** MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To require school district boards of education to incorporate mental health instruction into their health education curricula

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB449** CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSOR RATINGS-UNIVERSITIES (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. John Patterson) To require the Department of Education to attribute any community school sponsor ratings an entity received during its relationship with a state university board of trustees to that entity even if it no longer has a relationship with the university

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB477** ELIMINATE EDUCATION PROGRAMS (Rep. Kyle Koehler) To eliminate various provisions and programs related to the Department of Education and the operation of primary and secondary schools

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB487** RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL-COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To eliminate the right of first refusal for community schools, college-preparatory boarding schools, and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics schools in the acquisition of school district real property

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB488** PROPERTY TAX LEVY-BALLOT LANGUAGE (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. John Becker) To modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies

**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB491** SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS-SPECIFIED SERVICES (Rep. Jay Edwards) To require the State Board of Education to issue a substitute license to specified pupil services personnel  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB502** YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING-PUBLIC (Rep. Marlene Anielski) With regard to educator in-service training on youth suicide awareness and prevention in public schools  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB503** YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING-PRIVATE (Rep. Marlene Anielski) With regard to educator in-service training on youth suicide awareness and prevention in private schools  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB508** OHIOCORPS PILOT PROJECT (Rep. Scott Ryan, Rep. William Reineke) To establish the OhioCorps Pilot Project and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB512** CONSOLIDATE CAREER-EDUCATION GOVERNANCE (Rep. William Reineke) To establish the Department of Learning and Achievement; to abolish the Department of Higher Education, the position of the Chancellor of Higher Education, and the Ohio Board of Regents; to transfer, with exceptions, the duties regarding the administration of primary and secondary education programs and all duties regarding the administration of higher education programs to the Department of Learning and Achievement; and to prescribe certain duties regarding educator licensure, community school sponsorship, and other education programs for the State Board of Education, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Department of Education  
**STATUS: House Government Oversight & Accountability Committee**

**HB517** MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Rep. Tim Schaffer, Rep. David Leland) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month."  
**STATUS: Referred to House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB524** 529 CONTRIBUTIONS IN OTHER STATES (Rep. Gary Scherer, Rep. John Patterson) To expand the income tax deduction allowed for contributions to Ohio's 529 college savings program to include contributions to 529 programs established by other states  
**STATUS: Referred to House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB526** VOLUNTEER SCHOOL SECURITY (Rep. Anthony DeVitis, Rep. Martin Sweeney) To authorize a public or chartered nonpublic school to enter into an agreement with a volunteer law enforcement officer to patrol school premises to prevent or respond to a mass casualty event, to provide the parties with a qualified immunity from civil liability, and to provide a tax credit for volunteer service

**STATUS: Introduced**

**HB529 CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS** (Rep. Scott Ryan) To make capital appropriations and changes to the law governing capital projects and to make reappropriations for the biennium ending June 30, 2020  
**STATUS: Introduced; Referred to House Finance Committee**

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## **SENATE**

**SB3 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT** (Sen. Bill Beagle, Sen. Troy Balderson) To designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week  
**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) Passed by House, Vote 93-1; Senate concurs, Vote 32-0**

**SB5 INCREASING INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS** (Sen. Jay Hottinger, Sen. John Eklund) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to college savings accounts and disability expense savings accounts to \$10,000 annually for each beneficiary, to create the Joint Committee on Ohio College Affordability, and to declare an emergency  
**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0; Emergency clause, Vote 32-1**

**SB8 SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY** (Sen. Randy Gardner, Sen. Louis Terhar) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security  
**STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days**

**SB9 AUGUST TAX HOLIDAY** (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes  
**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately**

**SB10 PRIMARY ELECTION REQUIREMENTS** (Sen. Frank LaRose) To expand the circumstances under which a board of elections or the secretary of state is not required to hold a primary election  
**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**SB15 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS** (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require community colleges, state community colleges, technical colleges, and university branches to comply with minority business enterprise set-aside requirements, and to require the Director of Administrative Services to establish



guidelines for these entities, and the Northeast Ohio Medical University, to establish procurement goals for contracting with EDGE business enterprises  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB17**LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND ALLOCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To increase monthly allocations to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.68% of the total tax revenue credited to the General Revenue Fund each month  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB22**INCORPORATING FEDERAL REVENUE CHANGES (Sen. Bob Peterson) To expressly incorporate changes in the Internal Revenue Code since February 14, 2016, into Ohio law  
**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Ways & Means Committee – Substitute bill accepted & reported out; Passed by House, Vote 90-7, Emergency Clause 90-7**

**SB34**SCHOOL YEARS (Sen. Gayle Manning) To generally require public and chartered nonpublic schools to open for instruction after Labor Day  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB36**AGRICULTURAL COMPUTATION (Sen. Cliff Hite) To require that the computation of the capitalization rate for the purposes of determining CAUV of agricultural land be computed using a method that excludes appreciation and equity buildup and to stipulate that CAUV land used for a conservation practice or enrolled in a federal land retirement or conservation program for at least three years must be valued at the lowest of the values assigned on the basis of soil type  
**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0**

**SB39**COMMUNITY SCHOOL OPERATION (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding community school operator contracts, the operation of Internet- and computer-based community schools, and performance metrics for blended learning schools  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB54**SUMMER FOOD PROGRAMS (Sen. Edna Brown, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB72**PREVAILING WAGE LAW (Sen. Matt Huffman) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB79**STATE DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW SCHEDULE (Sen. Kris Jordan) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the

periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 24-9**

**SB82** SCHOOL ABSENCES-PARENTAL NOTIFICATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require a public school to place a telephone call within one hour of the start of the school day to a parent whose child is absent without legitimate excuse

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Reported out as amended**

**SB85** OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Sen. Matt Huffman) To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB88** SUBDIVISION COMMISSIONS-FISCAL EMERGENCY (Sen. Louis Terhar) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0**

**SB97** REGIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE CREATION (Sen. Frank LaRose, Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB104** PROHIBIT SECLUSION USE-SCHOOLS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To prohibit the use of seclusion on students in public schools

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB105** MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month"

**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**SB111** SCHOOL ZONE SIGN LIGHTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require school zones to be indicated by signs equipped with flashing or other lights or that indicate the times during which the restrictive speed limit is enforced, and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB123** PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINT PROCESS (Sen. William Coley) To limit the right to initiate most types of property tax complaints to the property owner and the county recorder of the county in which the property is located

**STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee**

**SB124 COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANTS** (Sen. Sandra Williams) To qualify students in noncredit community college and career and technical programs for Ohio College Opportunity Grants and to require the awarding of academic credit for community colleges' career certification programs  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Higher Education Subcommittee**

**SB133 STUDENT DISCIPLINE-VIOLENT BEHAVIOR** (Sen. Frank LaRose) To require the Education Management Information System to include information regarding persons at whom a student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed and to require the Department of Education to submit a one-time report to the General Assembly regarding that information  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB140 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP GRANTS** (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To create the Public-Private Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to develop, enhance, and promote educational programs to address regional workforce needs; to create the Sector Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to identify and provide grants to industry partnerships; to support programs that improve access to workforce training opportunities for students; to support economic development and revitalization programs; and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB149 ELECTION POLLING PLACES-SCHOOLS** (Sen. Frank LaRose) Regarding the use of a school district building as a polling place for elections  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB151 SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ADJUSTMENTS** (Sen. Cliff Hite) To permit, rather than require, the School Employees Retirement System to grant annual cost-of-living adjustments to retirement, disability, and survivor benefit recipients and to reduce the maximum amount of the adjustment  
**STATUS: Senate Insurance & Financial Institutions Committee**

**SB172 HUNGER-FREE STUDENTS RIGHTS** (Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish the Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights Act to require schools to provide certain services to students who are eligible for free or reduced price meals  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB175 RECOVERED FUNDS-SCHOOL AUDIT** (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB191 ESTABLISH SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAMS** (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To establish the Breakfast After The Bell Program for public schools  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB196** AGGRAVATED BULLYING-OFFENSE CREATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To create the offense of aggravated bullying, a third-degree misdemeanor

**STATUS: Senate Judiciary Committee**

**SB197** SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To require a tiered disciplinary procedure for harassment, intimidation, or bullying in school; to require annual student instruction about preventing such acts; and to create the offense of aggravated bullying as a third-degree misdemeanor

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB199** OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. Cliff Hite) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB203** MUNICIPAL TAX RULE REINSTATEMENT (Sen. Matt Dolan) To reinstate the municipal income tax "throw-back rule" used in apportioning business income among municipalities

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB209** PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS-TIF (Sen. William Coley, Sen. John Eklund) To modify the conditions that determine the relative priority of property tax exemptions when a parcel subject to a tax increment financing arrangement concurrently qualifies for another exemption

**STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee**

**SB213** ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING PLAN (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To enhance economic and employment opportunities and improve local infrastructure in Ohio by providing additional assistance to workforce development and employment programs; establishing a revolving loan program for small businesses seeking to expand operations; extending job tax credits to smaller businesses; enabling expanded participation in public sector contracting by smaller companies; enhancing support for childcare centers; funding additional local infrastructure and public transit; authorizing tax incentives for hiring military veterans, for donating money to local programs assisting distressed communities, or for improving distressed property; exempting the homes of disabled veterans from property taxation; terminating the income tax deduction and reduced tax rate for business income; and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB216** PUBLIC SCHOOL DEREGULATION ACT (Sen. Matt Huffman) To enact the "Ohio Public School Deregulation Act" regarding the administration of preschool and primary and secondary education programs

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Bill amended**

**SB225** OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. John Eklund) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB226** PERMANENT SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a permanent three-day sales tax "holiday" each August during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use tax

**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Ways & Means Committee**

**SB239** REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS (Sen. Matt Dolan) To modify the law concerning regional councils of governments

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**SB240** REGARDING TEACHER EVALUATIONS (Sen. Peggy Lehner) With regard to teacher evaluations

**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB241** ACCREDITED NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CATEGORY (Sen. Louis Terhar, Sen. Cecil Thomas) To establish a category of nonpublic schools called "accredited nonpublic schools" and to prescribe requirements and exemptions for such schools

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB246** STUDENT SAFETY ACT (Sen. Peggy Lehner, Sen. Gayle Manning) To enact the "SAFE Act" to revise the procedures for emergency removal of a student, to prohibit certain suspensions and expulsions of students in grades prekindergarten through three, to require each public school to implement a positive behavior intervention and supports framework in accordance with state standards, and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB258** AWARDING SCHOOL SAFETY FUNDS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To require the State Board of Education to establish criteria and procedures for the awarding of school safety funds to school districts and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Referred to Senate Finance Committee**

**SB262** EATING DISORDER EDUCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require public schools annually to provide parents of students in any of grades five through twelve with educational information regarding eating disorders

**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB266** CAPITAL BUDGET (Sen. Scott Oelslager) To make capital appropriations and changes to the law governing capital projects and to make reappropriations for the biennium ending June 30, 2020  
**STATUS:** Introduced; Referred to Senate Finance Committee

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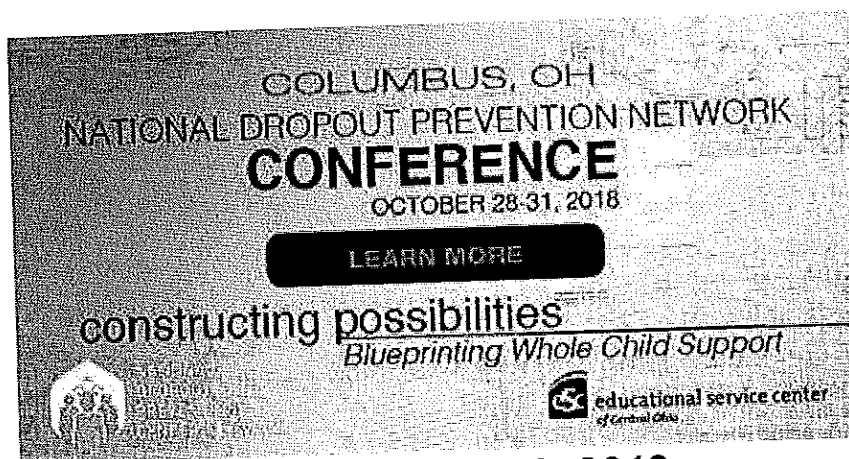
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## OHIO LEGISLATION UPDATE

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# FEATURED ITEMS

## **OHIO BILL WOULD CONSOLIDATE STATE EDUCATION, WORKFORCE TRANSFORMATION GOVERNANCE – Ohio**

*legislative members of the House Government Oversight & Accountability Committee heard proponent testimony this week regarding House Bill 512 (HB512), sponsored by Rep. William Reineke. Provisions currently included in the bill would: create the Department of Learning and Achievement (DLA) to oversee primary, secondary and postsecondary education; specify that the DLA is administered by the Director of Learning and Achievement, who is appointed by the Governor with advice and consent of the Senate; require the Director to appoint assistant directors of higher education and workforce transformation and other assistant directors where deemed necessary; transfer most powers and duties of the State Board of Education, Superintendent of Public Instruction and Ohio Department of Education (ODE) and all of the powers and duties of the Chancellor of Higher Education and Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation to the DLA; retain some of the existing powers and duties of the State Board, Superintendent and ODE, but transfer rule-making authority regarding those powers and duties to the DLA; and more. (NOTE: Ohio education- and local government-related legislative updates are included at the end of each Weekly Wrap.)*

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**HB512 CONSOLIDATE CAREER-EDUCATION GOVERNANCE** (Rep. William Reineke) To establish the Department of Learning and Achievement; to abolish the Department of Higher Education, the position of the Chancellor of Higher Education, and the Ohio Board of Regents; to transfer, with exceptions, the duties regarding the administration of primary and secondary education programs and all duties regarding the administration of higher education programs to the Department of Learning and Achievement; and to prescribe certain duties regarding educator licensure, community school sponsorship, and other education programs for the State Board of Education, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Department of Education

STATUS: House Government Oversight & Accountability Committee

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## **OHIO**

### ***Central Ohio Schools***

#### **Some Schools in Central Ohio Closed, Students Charged over Threats – Columbus Dispatch**

- A flood of threats against central Ohio schools prompted decisions Friday to deploy extra Columbus police officers to city schools and to close schools in other area districts

### **BIG WALNUT LOCAL SCHOOLS**

#### **ODE Recognizes New Purple Star Schools – Hannah**

- State Superintendent of Public Instruction Paolo DeMaria Wednesday announced that 44 Ohio schools in 25 school districts (including Big Walnut) received the Purple Star designation for their commitment to serving military-connected students and families

#### **School Helps Its Military Families through 'Trials' – This Week**

- Big Walnut Middle School has received a Purple Star Award from the Ohio Department of Education, recognizing its commitment to students and families connected to the nation's military

## **CHILLICOTHE CITY SCHOOLS**

### **Florida School Shooting Puts Ross County School Districts, Law Enforcement on High Alert – Chillicothe Gazette**

- Superintendents at Zane Trace, Chillicothe, Adena and Huntington who responded to questions submitted to all Ross County public school superintendents noted everything possible is done to limit access to buildings from the outside, with all utilizing a system in which visitors must be buzzed into the building by someone in the school offices

### **With Eye on Performance, Chillicothe High School Eyes Significant Schedule Reform – Chillicothe Gazette**

- A team of Chillicothe City Schools educators is pushing for scheduling changes in the high school after seeing data revealing some dramatic differences between students' performance in the classroom and performance on standardized tests

### **Ross County Overdose Deaths Decline in 2017, But Officials Still keep Up the Fight – Chillicothe Gazette**

- Ohio's drug overdose deaths in 2017 are expected to break another record in Ohio, but not in Ross County. Here, after essentially holding steady in 2016, there were 10 fewer overdose deaths despite the increased presence of synthetic opiates fentanyl and carfentanil

## **COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS**

### **Akron Superintendent Says No to Columbus Schools – Columbus Dispatch**

- The interim superintendent is now the lone finalist for the top job at the Columbus City Schools, but no action was taken to remove the "interim" from that title at a special Wednesday night school board meeting

## **EASTLAND FAIRFIELD CAREER & TECHNICAL SCHOOLS**

### **Career-Tech Classes Back in Vogue – This Week**

- Ask Eastland-Fairfield Career & Technical Schools Superintendent Bonnie Hopkins what's changed in the 50 years the school has been in existence and she'll offer a one-word answer: "Everything"

## **LICKING HEIGHTS LOCAL SCHOOLS**

### **L.H. School Superintendent Hopes for 'Healing' in Wake of Threats – Newark Advocate**

- As investigations continue regarding verbal threats and racial statements left on a Licking Heights Central Middle School bathroom wall, Superintendent Philip Wagner hopes a process of healing and a return to normalcy is also setting in

## **MARYSVILLE SCHOOLS**

### **Finalists Named for ECHS Principal – Marysville Journal-Tribune**

- Marysville School District officials knew four years ago they would be engaged in a principal search in 2018

## **OLENTANGY LOCAL SCHOOLS**

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### **Olentangy Students Describe Racism They Face at School – Columbus Dispatch**

- The presentation was not the kind that high school students should have to spend weeks preparing. But the topic — racism — was something the students say they face

## **UPPER ARLINGTON CITY SCHOOLS**

### **Upper Arlington Leaders Promise Focus on School Safety – This Week**

- The lower level of Upper Arlington High School's auditorium was at capacity Feb. 27 and a small crowd overflowed into the balcony as the community came out to hear how the district and local police and fire forces plan to address safety in the wake of continued school shootings nationwide

## **WESTERVILLE CITY SCHOOLS**

### **District Treasurer Candidates Stand at 12 – This Week**

- Officials with the Westerville City School District were scheduled to begin interviewing treasurer candidates this week

## **WHITEHALL CITY SCHOOLS**

### **SRO: Fallout From Fights Can Be Severe – This Week**

- Whitehall-Yearling High School students heard a message last week that the school's resource officer says was well-received -- and it's a message he plans to build on

### **Fair Cuts Paths for Those Forgoing College – This Week**

- While the school has hosted similar events in the past, this career fair was unique, as it offered career options and job opportunities for students who don't plan to attend college

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### **Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education**

#### **Regional Hearings Set for Input on Proposed Strategic Plan for Education – Hannah**

- As they continue drafting a five-year strategic plan for education, the Ohio Department of Education and the State Board of Education are inviting comment on the plan at 11 regional hearings scheduled for March and April

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#### **OhioMeansJobs – Readiness Seal Rubric for Mentors and Business Leaders Now Online – ODE**

- The rubric gives examples of what a student will be able to do at various levels of skill development. The levels are: beginner, developing, proficient and expert. The rubric can assist students and mentors as they work together to develop a plan of action so students can advance through the skill levels to achieve the proficient rating to earn the Readiness Seal

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### **Joint Education Oversight Committee**

#### **Manning to Chair Education Oversight Committee – Hannah**

- Senate President Larry Obhof (R-Medina) announced Monday the appointment of Sen. Gayle Manning (R-North Ridgeville) as chair of the Joint Education Oversight Committee

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## ***Ohio School Finance & Budget***

### **Ohio among Top States in Education Funding for Districts with Poor and Minority Students, Study Finds – Columbus Dispatch**

- Ohio does better than almost all other states in directing school funding to poor and minority students, according to a national report released

### **Legislators Debut \$2.6B Capital Budget – Hannah**

- Lawmakers introduced the \$2.6 billion capital budget for FY19-20 Monday, highlighting a \$222 million portion dedicated to addiction and other health and human services purposes

### **Keen Presents Capital Budget Details to Lawmakers – Hannah**

- Budget Director Tim Keen briefed legislators Tuesday on the FY19-20 capital budget, reviewing major spending proposals for prisons, schools, dam safety and health and human services facilities

### **Tax Conformity Legislation Speeds to Passage; Concerns over 529 Provisions Raised – Hannah**

- While saying she understands the need to conform Ohio law to the federal law, Boyd said she is "tired of the tax shifts" that negatively affect local schools. She referenced specifically the provision of the substitute bill that extends Ohio's income tax deduction for 529 plan contributions to include contributions made to pay for K-12 expenses in addition to those made for higher education expenses

### **Ohio House Passes Tax Breaks for K-12 School Costs – Columbus Dispatch**

- The Ohio House passed a new \$20 million income-tax deduction that critics say will largely benefit the state's wealthy who are saving to pay for their children's private education

### **Legislation Aims for 'Truth in Advertising' for Local Property Tax Levies – Hannah**

- Reps. Ron Hood (R-Ashville) and John Becker (R-Cincinnati) joined with witness Carolyn Blow Tuesday to make the case for improving the transparency of local property tax levies by passing HB488

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## ***Ohio Education & Public Policy***

**Yost Announces School Security Plan – Hannah**

- Republican attorney general candidate and current Auditor Dave Yost announced his campaign's three-point plan aimed at increasing school security

**Dave Yost Urges Ohio Legislature to Combat School Shootings – Cleveland Plain Dealer**

- Republican attorney general candidate Dave Yost on Monday called on the Ohio legislature to adopt his new plan to combat school shootings in Ohio

**Ohio Statehouse Will Soon See New Type of Gun Debates – Columbus Dispatch**

- As the Ohio House speaker on Wednesday indicated willingness to consider gun measures and back additional funds for school safety, Columbus city officials called on Gov. John Kasich to push for state gun-control measures

**House Sends Dating Violence Bill to Governor; Speaker Talks Guns, Pot – Hannah**

- Rosenberger told reporters that his caucus will take time to "review" gun laws and legislation in the aftermath of the recent mass shooting in a Florida high school

**Kasich Unveils Six Proposals for New Gun Control Legislation in Ohio – Hannah**

- Gov. John Kasich unveiled six proposals for new gun control legislation Thursday, culminating months of debate and final agreement among a "diverse" panel first convened last November. Proposals were notable for what they did include, such as a new gun violence protection order (GVPO) and firearms ban on domestic violence offenders, and for what they did not. Recommendations contain no age restrictions or limitations on military assault weapons, though the governor said the group will continue its work

**Ohio Bill Requires 40 Hours of Training for Officers in Schools – Dayton Daily News**

- An Ohio House bill would standardize the qualifications and training for police officers serving as school resource officers

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## **NATIONAL/WORLD**

### ***Federal & US Department of Education***

#### **USDOE Officially Proposes Delay of Special Education Bias Rule – EdWeek**

- As expected, the U.S. Department of Education is seeking to delay by two years a rule that would require states to use a standard method in monitoring how school districts identify and serve minority students with disabilities

#### **Justice Gorsuch Silent as Supreme Court Weighs Public Employee Union Fees – EdWeek**

- The U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments Monday in a major case about public-employee unions, with four justices appearing to support upholding agency fees for nonunion members and four other justices giving every indication that they are inclined to overrule a 40-year-old precedent that authorized such fees

### **After Supreme Court Declines to Hear Trump's Appeal, DACA Is Still on the Books – Edweek**

- On Monday, the U.S. Supreme Court declined to take up a lawsuit over the future of DACA, which protects 690,000 undocumented immigrants from deportation and grant them work permits

### **Besty DeVos Wants to Direct Federal Funds to School Choice, STEM, Workforce Readiness – EdWeek**

- U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos will give applicants for federal grants a leg-up if they are planning to embrace things like school choice, STEM, literacy school climate, effective instruction, career preparation, and serving military-connected children and students in special education

### **Trump Stuns Lawmakers with Seeming Embrace of Comprehensive Gun Control – New York Times**

- President Trump stunned Republicans on live television Wednesday by embracing gun control and urging a group of lawmakers at the White House to resurrect gun safety legislation that has been opposed for years by the powerful National Rifle Association and the vast majority of his party

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### **States Confront New Mandate on School-Spending Transparency – EdWeek**

- A tricky financial-transparency requirement in the Every Student Succeeds Act has cranked up tensions among state politicians, school district administrators, and civil rights activists over public understanding of how districts divvy up their money among schools



### **The Next Court Case Against Teachers' Unions Attacks Opt-Out Rules – EdWeek**

- The day after the U.S. Supreme Court justices heard arguments for and against compulsory union fees for nonmembers, three teachers gathered downtown to discuss the next big case that could potentially hammer teachers' unions: *Yohn v. California Teachers Association*

### **States Should Use Data to Curb Teacher Shortages, Report Says – EdWeek**

- Too few states are using data to determine if their supply of teachers is meeting the demand of school districts. Currently, 29 states track the number of teacher-prep graduates and their certification fields, according to the report. But only eight states compare those numbers against their local districts' hiring stats to make sure teacher-prep programs are producing the candidates districts need

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## ***Standards & Assessments***

### **When Do States Share Assessment Data? – THE Journal**

- Just one state delivers final results to educators in the spring; nine others provide preliminary results. Most supply state test scores during the summer of the year when the test was given; seven states issue preliminary results, and 22 provide final results

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## ***Digital Convergence***

### **Common Sense Introduces Simpler Privacy Ratings – THE Journal**

- Currently, Curriki is "not recommended," while Edmodo gets a "use with caution," and EduTone receives a "use responsibly." These are the simpler privacy ratings that Common Sense Media has begun using for the education technology apps it covers on its education websites. The goal, according to Bill Fitzgerald, the non-profit's Privacy Initiative director: "to make privacy and security more accessible"

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## ***Personalized Learning Frameworks***

### **Visioning Toolkit: Laying the Groundwork for a Community-Wide Vision for Personalized Learning – KnowledgeWorks**

- If you really want to change the system, a vision must be created by and lived throughout your community. District leaders can't do this work alone, and neither can teachers. The entire community needs to lift up learning, support teachers and encourage students to learn both in and outside of school. Because this work is bigger than just your district – it belongs to the entire learning community

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## ***Charter Schools***

### **Bigger Bang, Fewer Bucks? The Productivity of Public Charter Schools in Eight U.S. Cities – University of Arkansas**

- In this report, we examine the differences in cost-effectiveness and ROI for public charter schools and traditional public schools (TPS) in eight major cities in the United States

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## ***Special Education***

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## ***School Safety & Discipline***

### **Students Are Walking Out to Protest Gun Violence. What Should School Administrators Do? – EdWeek**

- In the wake of the Feb. 14 shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla., which left 17 dead, students are planning mass walkouts to protest gun violence and call for more gun-safety measures. But across the country, the responses from school and district administrators have varied

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## ***Mental Health & Wellness***

### **Pediatricians Call for Universal Depression Screening for Teens – NPR**

- Only about 50 percent of adolescents with depression get diagnosed before reaching adulthood. And as many as 2 in 3 depressed teens don't get the care that could help them

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## ***Career- and Postsecondary-Readiness***

### **More Community Colleges Using Multiple Measures for Readiness – Inside Higher Ed**

- A new study from the Center for the Analysis of Postsecondary Readiness has found that an increasing number of public, two-year colleges are using multiple measurements beyond standardized tests to place students in college-level math and reading courses

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## ***Postsecondary & Workforce Development***

### **Collaborating on Completion – Inside Higher Ed**

- A group of 100 public universities will work with the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities to produce hundreds of thousands of additional degrees while also reducing achievement gaps for underrepresented student groups

### **Focus on Student Success Increases Well-Being – Inside Higher Ed**

- Most community colleges don't view graduation rates alone as a measure of success. For many of them, transfer and job placement are equally viewed as successes. But a new survey from Gallup shows that there are other ways, particularly after graduation, to measure the success of two-year colleges

### **ACE Initiative Looks to Turn Workplace Experience into verified Professional Credentials – Education DIVE**

- The American Council on Education announced in a new initiative that will convert work experience in a variety of fields into valid professional credentials accessible online to prospective employers

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# Ohio Legislation Update

(Recent bill action in RED. Signed into law by Governor in GREEN.)

## HOUSE

**HB3** DATAOHIO BOARD CREATION (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Christina Hagan) To create the DataOhio Board, to specify requirements for posting public records online, to require the Auditor of State to adopt rules regarding a uniform accounting system for public offices, to establish an online catalog of public data at data.Ohio.gov, to establish the Local Government Information Exchange Grant Program, and to make appropriations

**STATUS: House Finance Committee – Reported out**

**HB8** PUBLIC RECORDS-MINORS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To exempt from the Public Records Law certain information concerning a minor that is included in a record related to a traffic accident involving a school vehicle in which the minor was an occupant at the time of the accident

**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Local Government, Public Safety & Veterans Affairs Committee – Reported out**

**HB14** AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION (Rep. Kathleen Clyde) To require that eligible persons in certain government and school databases be automatically registered to vote or have their registrations updated automatically unless those persons decline and to expand how a voter may register or update their registration through the online voter registration system

**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee**

**HB21** COMMUNITY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION (Rep. Steve Hambley) Regarding verification of community school enrollments

**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee**

**HB37** SCHOOL SAFETY-STRUCTURES (Rep. Steve Arndt) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB40** GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE DATABASE (Rep. Jonathan Dever, Rep. Dave Greenspan) To require the Treasurer of State to establish the Ohio State Government Expenditure Database

**Status: House State & Local Government Committee**

**HB47** STUDENTS IN MILITARY (Rep. John Boccieri) To enact the "Students to Soldiers Support Act (S3A)" regarding the participation of students who are serving in the uniformed services in extracurricular activities at public and nonpublic schools and public and private colleges

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB49** OPERATING BUDGET (Rep. Ryan Smith) Creates FY 2018-2019 main operating budget

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective July 1, 2017**

**HB51** DEPARTMENT REVIEW SCHEDULE (Rep. Keith Faber) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

**STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended**

**HB53** PUBLIC EMPLOYEES-MEMBER DUES (Rep. John Becker) To remove any requirement under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law that public employees join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit public employers from requiring public employees to join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit an employee organization from being required to represent public employees who are not members of the employee organization, and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB58** CURSIVE HANDWRITING INSTRUCTION (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Marilyn Slaby) To require instruction in cursive handwriting

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB66** UNDERGRAD MISSION STUDY COMMITTEE (Rep. Ron Young) To require permanently tenured state university or college faculty members to teach at least three credit hours of undergraduate courses per semester

**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee**

**HB69** LEVY REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT (Rep. Bob Cupp) To require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district

**STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days**

**HB74** INCREASE COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. Stephen Huffman, Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for

contributions to the state's 529 college savings program from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per beneficiary per year

**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB77**SICK-CHILD CARE LICENSURE (Rep. Wes Retherford) To provide for the licensure of sick-child care centers

**STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee**

**HB80**SCHOOL FOOD-SUMMER INTERVENTION (Rep. Sarah LaTourette, Rep. Kent Smith) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**HB87**COMMUNITY SCHOOL PUBLIC MONEYS (Rep. Kristina Roegner) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended**

**HB89**AUGUST SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB98**CAREER INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Kristin Boggs) Regarding the presentation of career information to students

**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee – Bill amended**

**HB102** SCHOOL FUNDING REFORM (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To replace locally levied school district property taxes with a statewide property tax and require recipients of certain tax exemptions to reimburse the state for such levy revenue lost due to those exemptions; to increase the state sales and use tax rates and allocate additional revenue to state education purposes; to repeal school district income taxes; to require the Treasurer of State to issue general obligation bonds to refund certain school district debt obligations; to create a new system of funding schools where the state pays a specified amount per student that each student may use to attend the public or chartered nonpublic school of the student's choice, without the requirement of a local contribution; to eliminate the School Facilities Commission; to eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program, Pilot Project Scholarship Program, Autism Scholarship Program, and Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program; to eliminate interdistrict open enrollment; to require educational service centers to transport students on a countywide basis; and to permit school districts to enter into a memoranda of understanding for one district to manage another

**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB103 FISCAL EMERGENCY PROVISIONS** (Rep. William Reineke) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective October 17, 2017**

**HB108 INFORMED STUDENT DOCUMENT ACT** (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Robert McColley) To require one-half unit of financial literacy in the high school curriculum, to require the Chancellor of Higher Education to prepare an informed student document for each institution of higher education, to require the State Board of Education to include information on the informed student document in the standards and model curricula it creates for financial literacy and entrepreneurship, and to entitle the act the "Informed Student Document Act"

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended**

**HB110 COLLEGE CREDIT APPRENTICESHIPS** (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Bill Dean) To create a subprogram of the College Credit Plus Program that permits students to participate in certified apprenticeship programs

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended**

**HB118 TAX COMPLAINT DISMISSAL** (Rep. Derek Merrin) To expressly prohibit the dismissal of a property tax complaint for failure to correctly identify the property owner

**STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0**

**HB124 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL TAX LEVY** (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To authorize a joint vocational school district to submit the question of a renewal tax levy to voters who did not have an opportunity to vote on the levy at an election held in November of 2015 because the levy was only placed on the ballot in one of several counties in which the district has territory

**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately**

**HB129 SCHOOL EXTERNSHIPS-GOVERNOR** (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require the Governor to complete a forty-hour externship consisting of on-site work experience in city, local, and exempted village school districts in the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years

**STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee**

**HB134 SCHOOL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS** (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district

**STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended**

**HB163** PREVAILING WAGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (Rep. Kristina Roegner, Rep. Craig Riedel) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

**STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee**

**HB166** WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM REVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke, Rep. Bob Cupp) To revise the laws governing the state's workforce development system, programs that may be offered by primary and secondary schools, certificates of qualification for employment, and the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency, and to designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended**

**HB170** COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Mike Duffey)

With regard to academic content standards and curriculum requirements for computer science; to revise educator qualifications regarding computer science; and to authorize public schools to establish computer science and technology funds

**STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days**

**HB176** SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS (Rep. Andrew Thompson) With regard to state achievement assessments, statewide academic content standards and model curricula, and teacher and administrator evaluations

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended**

**HB179** IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE (Rep. Candice Keller) To require state and local authorities to cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of immigration laws, to prohibit a local government that fails to do so from receiving certain state funds, to provide for the removal of officers of a local government that fails to do so, and to declare an emergency

**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee**

**HB181** ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT STANDARDS (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. Tom Brinkman) With regard to the state academic content standards and primary and secondary education assessments

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB186** COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Gary Scherer) To enact the "Blair Deduction" to allow an individual obtaining a postsecondary degree or credential from an eligible educational institution to claim an income tax deduction for qualified higher education expenses



**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB200** OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Koehler, K) - To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended**

**HB203** YOUTH SUMMER JOBS INITIATIVE (Barnes, Jr., J) - To require the Director of Development Services to establish a youth summer jobs pledging initiative to increase access to summer employment opportunities for high school and college youth  
**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB217** COLLEGE APPLICATIONS-DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To prohibit institutions of higher education from requiring students to disclose disciplinary actions on their applications for admission  
**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB220** NONPUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS (Rep. David Leland) With regard to the use of funds by community schools and nonpublic schools  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB224** RE-SERVING SCHOOL LUNCH ITEMS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To permit districts and schools to re-serve time- and temperature-controlled food items to students if items are unused and returned unopened, undamaged, and in the original packaging  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB227** LICENSE PLATE-KENSTON LOCAL SCHOOLS (Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To create the "Kenston Local Schools" license plate  
**STATUS: House Transportation & Public Safety Committee – Reported out as amended**

**HB235** EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT PROCEDURE (Rep. Theresa Gavarone) Regarding procedures for approval or disapproval of the state education plan for the federal Every Student Succeeds Act  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee**

**HB237** MULTICOUNTY LOCAL ELECTIONS (Rep. Dorothy Pelanda) To require a political subdivision with territory in more than one county that places an issue on the ballot to notify the board of elections of every county in which the political subdivision has territory, to require the Secretary of State to establish a database to facilitate communication between the boards of elections and the Secretary concerning local elections, and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee**

**HB242** SCHOOL RETIREMENT-COST OF LIVING (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding School Employees Retirement System annual cost-of-living adjustments  
**STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB246** DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY CLASSROOMS (Rep. John Boccieri, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to provide funding to certain county boards of developmental disabilities to assist in the acquisition of classroom facilities  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB262** INDEPENDENT BUDGET PROCESS (Rep. James Butler, Jr., Rep. Mark Romanchuk) To provide for the preparation of a state biennial budget independent of that submitted by the Governor and to authorize the Legislative Service Commission, upon the request of the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the President of the Senate, to arrange for an independent actuarial review of a proposed bill, specified analyses of economic policy initiatives and state benchmarking data, and a study of the state's long-range financial outlook  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee**

**HB298** PUBLIC EMPLOYEE SICK DAYS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To make changes with respect to the number of sick days provided to public employees  
**STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee**

**HB312** LOCAL GOVERNMENT CREDIT CARDS (Rep. Kirk Schuring, Rep. Dave Greenspan) Regarding use of credit cards and debit cards by political subdivisions  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**HB318** SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER DEFINITION (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To define the necessary qualifications and responsibilities of school resource officers  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted & reported out**

**HB322** SCHOOL EMERGENCY PLANS (Rep. Adam Miller, Rep. Bernadine Kent) To revise the law regarding emergency management plans and school safety drills; to require each educational service center to employ an emergency response planner; to make an appropriation; and to declare an emergency  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB337** TEXTBOOK SALES TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. Mike Duffey) To exempt from sales and use tax textbooks purchased by post-secondary students  
**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee – Reported out as amended**

**HB338** BUS DRIVER MEDICAL EXAMS (Rep. Tim Ginter) Regarding medical examinations for school bus drivers  
**STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**HB342** LOCAL TAX ISSUES-ELECTION DATES (Rep. Derek Merrin) To permit local tax-related proposals to appear only on general and primary election ballots and not on an August special election ballot and to modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended**

**HB343** PROPERTY VALUE CONTEST-RESOLUTIONS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To require local governments that contest property values to formally pass an authorizing resolution for each contest and to notify property owners  
**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee – Reported out**

**HB360** ANTI-BULLYING AND HAZING (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To enact the "Ohio Anti-Bullying and Hazing Act" with regard to school discipline and bullying and hazing policies at public schools and public colleges  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB361** PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINTS TIMEFRAME (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To increase the time within which boards of revision must decide property tax complaints  
**STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended**

**HB363** CAMPUS FREE SPEECH (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Andrew Brenner) To enact the "Campus Free Speech Act" with respect to the freedom of speech and assembly at state institutions of higher education and the charging and allocation of student activity fees.  
**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee**

**HB369** PER PUPIL FUNDING GUARANTEE (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To prescribe a per pupil funding guarantee for certain school districts and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB377** CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE EDUCATION (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Dan Ramos) With respect to age-appropriate student instruction in child sexual abuse and sexual violence prevention and in-service staff training in child sexual abuse prevention  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB378 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT** (Rep. Ryan Smith, Rep. Jack Cera)  
To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB383 CHILD CARE HEALTH & SAFETY RISKS** (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding parental notice of serious risks to the health or safety of children receiving child care  
**STATUS: House Community & Family Advancement Committee – Reported out**

**HB396 STEM DEGREE LOAN REPAYMENT** (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To create the STEM Degree Loan Repayment Program and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB399 HEALTH INSURANCE SAVINGS INCENTIVES** (Rep. Michael Henne, Rep. James Butler, Jr.) To enact the Ohio Right to Shop Act to require health insurers to establish shared savings incentive programs for enrollees  
**STATUS: House Health Committee**

**HB413 PERS ADJUSTMENT-DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES EMPLOYEES** (Rep. Gary Scherer) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) annual cost-of-living adjustments granted to allowance and benefit recipients and PERS service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities  
**STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee**

**HB418 SCHOOL RECORDS TRANSFER** (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To require a public or chartered nonpublic school to transmit a student's records within five business days when the student transfers to another school  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB426 SCHOOL SEXUAL CONDUCT** (Rep. Christina Hagan) To prohibit an employee of a school or institution of higher education who is not in a position of authority from engaging in sexual conduct with certain students  
**STATUS: House Criminal Justice Committee**

**HB428 STUDENT RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES ACT** (Rep. Tim Ginter, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) Regarding student religious expression and to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2018"  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB432 STUDENT LOAN OMBUDSMAN & LICENSURE** (Rep. Kristin Boggs, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require student loan servicers to be licensed by the Division of Financial Institutions and to create the position of student loan ombudsperson in the Division of Financial Institutions to provide assistance to student loan borrowers

**STATUS: House Financial Institutions, Housing & Urban Development Committee**

**HB438** ESC ANNEXATION (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To permit the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards and to permit a local school district to sever its territory from one educational service center and annex that territory to an adjacent service center under specified conditions  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out**

**HB442** SCHOOL ATHLETICS-F1 VISA (Rep. Niraj Antani) To authorize any student from a country or province outside the United States who attends an elementary or secondary school in Ohio and holds an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic athletics at that school on the same basis as Ohio residents  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB443** MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To require school district boards of education to incorporate mental health instruction into their health education curricula  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB449** CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSOR RATINGS-UNIVERSITIES (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. John Patterson) To require the Department of Education to attribute any community school sponsor ratings an entity received during its relationship with a state university board of trustees to that entity even if it no longer has a relationship with the university  
**STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**HB477** ELIMINATE EDUCATION PROGRAMS (Rep. Kyle Koehler) To eliminate various provisions and programs related to the Department of Education and the operation of primary and secondary schools  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB487** RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL-COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To eliminate the right of first refusal for community schools, college-preparatory boarding schools, and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics schools in the acquisition of school district real property  
**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB488** PROPERTY TAX LEVY-BALLOT LANGUAGE (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. John Becker) To modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies  
**STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB491** SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS-SPECIFIED SERVICES (Rep. Jay Edwards) To require the State Board of Education to issue a substitute license to specified pupil services personnel

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB502** YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING-PUBLIC (Rep. Marlene Anielski) With regard to educator in-service training on youth suicide awareness and prevention in public schools

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB503** YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING-PRIVATE (Rep. Marlene Anielski) With regard to educator in-service training on youth suicide awareness and prevention in private schools

**STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB508** OHIOCORPS PILOT PROJECT (Rep. Scott Ryan, Rep. William Reineke) To establish the OhioCorps Pilot Project and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: House Finance Committee**

**HB512** CONSOLIDATE CAREER-EDUCATION GOVERNANCE (Rep. William Reineke) To establish the Department of Learning and Achievement; to abolish the Department of Higher Education, the position of the Chancellor of Higher Education, and the Ohio Board of Regents; to transfer, with exceptions, the duties regarding the administration of primary and secondary education programs and all duties regarding the administration of higher education programs to the Department of Learning and Achievement; and to prescribe certain duties regarding educator licensure, community school sponsorship, and other education programs for the State Board of Education, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Department of Education

**STATUS: House Government Oversight & Accountability Committee**

**HB517** MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Rep. Tim Schaffer, Rep. David Leland) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month."

**STATUS: Referred to House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**HB524** 529 CONTRIBUTIONS IN OTHER STATES (Rep. Gary Scherer, Rep. John Patterson) To expand the income tax deduction allowed for contributions to Ohio's 529 college savings program to include contributions to 529 programs established by other states

**STATUS: Referred to House Ways & Means Committee**

**HB526** VOLUNTEER SCHOOL SECURITY (Rep. Anthony DeVitis, Rep. Martin Sweeney) To authorize a public or chartered nonpublic school to enter into an agreement with a volunteer law enforcement officer to patrol school premises to prevent or respond to a mass casualty event, to provide the parties with a qualified immunity from civil liability, and to provide a tax credit for volunteer service

**STATUS: Introduced**

**HB529 CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS** (Rep. Scott Ryan) To make capital appropriations and changes to the law governing capital projects and to make reappropriations for the biennium ending June 30, 2020  
**STATUS: Introduced; Referred to House Finance Committee**

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## **SENATE**

**SB3 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT** (Sen. Bill Beagle, Sen. Troy Balderson) To designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week  
**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) Passed by House, Vote 93-1; Senate concurs, Vote 32-0**

**SB5 INCREASING INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS** (Sen. Jay Hottinger, Sen. John Eklund) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to college savings accounts and disability expense savings accounts to \$10,000 annually for each beneficiary, to create the Joint Committee on Ohio College Affordability, and to declare an emergency  
**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0; Emergency clause, Vote 32-1**

**SB8 SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY** (Sen. Randy Gardner, Sen. Louis Terhar) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security  
**STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days**

**SB9 AUGUST TAX HOLIDAY** (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes  
**STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately**

**SB10 PRIMARY ELECTION REQUIREMENTS** (Sen. Frank LaRose) To expand the circumstances under which a board of elections or the secretary of state is not required to hold a primary election  
**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**SB15 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS** (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require community colleges, state community colleges, technical colleges, and university branches to comply with minority business enterprise set-aside requirements, and to require the Director of Administrative Services to establish

guidelines for these entities, and the Northeast Ohio Medical University, to establish procurement goals for contracting with EDGE business enterprises  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB17**LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND ALLOCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To increase monthly allocations to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.68% of the total tax revenue credited to the General Revenue Fund each month  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB22**INCORPORATING FEDERAL REVENUE CHANGES (Sen. Bob Peterson) To expressly incorporate changes in the Internal Revenue Code since February 14, 2016, into Ohio law  
**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Ways & Means Committee – Substitute bill accepted & reported out; Passed by House, Vote 90-7, Emergency Clause 90-7**

**SB34**SCHOOL YEARS (Sen. Gayle Manning) To generally require public and chartered nonpublic schools to open for instruction after Labor Day  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB36**AGRICULTURAL COMPUTATION (Sen. Cliff Hite) To require that the computation of the capitalization rate for the purposes of determining CAUV of agricultural land be computed using a method that excludes appreciation and equity buildup and to stipulate that CAUV land used for a conservation practice or enrolled in a federal land retirement or conservation program for at least three years must be valued at the lowest of the values assigned on the basis of soil type  
**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0**

**SB39**COMMUNITY SCHOOL OPERATION (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding community school operator contracts, the operation of Internet- and computer-based community schools, and performance metrics for blended learning schools  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB54**SUMMER FOOD PROGRAMS (Sen. Edna Brown, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB72**PREVAILING WAGE LAW (Sen. Matt Huffman) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB79**STATE DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW SCHEDULE (Sen. Kris Jordan) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the



periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 24-9**

**SB82** SCHOOL ABSENCES-PARENTAL NOTIFICATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require a public school to place a telephone call within one hour of the start of the school day to a parent whose child is absent without legitimate excuse

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Reported out as amended**

**SB85** OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Sen. Matt Huffman) To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB88** SUBDIVISION COMMISSIONS-FISCAL EMERGENCY (Sen. Louis Terhar) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

**STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0**

**SB97** REGIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE CREATION (Sen. Frank LaRose, Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB104** PROHIBIT SECLUSION USE-SCHOOLS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To prohibit the use of seclusion on students in public schools

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB105** MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month"

**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Education & Career Readiness Committee**

**SB111** SCHOOL ZONE SIGN LIGHTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require school zones to be indicated by signs equipped with flashing or other lights or that indicate the times during which the restrictive speed limit is enforced, and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB123** PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINT PROCESS (Sen. William Coley) To limit the right to initiate most types of property tax complaints to the property owner and the county recorder of the county in which the property is located

**STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee**

**SB124** COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANTS (Sen. Sandra Williams) To qualify students in noncredit community college and career and technical programs for Ohio College Opportunity Grants and to require the awarding of academic credit for community colleges' career certification programs  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Higher Education Subcommittee**

**SB133** STUDENT DISCIPLINE-VIOLENT BEHAVIOR (Sen. Frank LaRose) To require the Education Management Information System to include information regarding persons at whom a student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed and to require the Department of Education to submit a one-time report to the General Assembly regarding that information  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB140** PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To create the Public-Private Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to develop, enhance, and promote educational programs to address regional workforce needs; to create the Sector Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to identify and provide grants to industry partnerships; to support programs that improve access to workforce training opportunities for students; to support economic development and revitalization programs; and to make an appropriation  
**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB149** ELECTION POLLING PLACES-SCHOOLS (Sen. Frank LaRose) Regarding the use of a school district building as a polling place for elections  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB151** SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ADJUSTMENTS (Sen. Cliff Hite) To permit, rather than require, the School Employees Retirement System to grant annual cost-of-living adjustments to retirement, disability, and survivor benefit recipients and to reduce the maximum amount of the adjustment  
**STATUS: Senate Insurance & Financial Institutions Committee**

**SB172** HUNGER-FREE STUDENTS RIGHTS (Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish the Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights Act to require schools to provide certain services to students who are eligible for free or reduced price meals  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB175** RECOVERED FUNDS-SCHOOL AUDIT (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school  
**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee**

**SB191** ESTABLISH SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAMS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To establish the Breakfast After The Bell Program for public schools  
**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB196** AGGRAVATED BULLYING-OFFENSE CREATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To create the offense of aggravated bullying, a third-degree misdemeanor

**STATUS: Senate Judiciary Committee**

**SB197** SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To require a tiered disciplinary procedure for harassment, intimidation, or bullying in school; to require annual student instruction about preventing such acts; and to create the offense of aggravated bullying as a third-degree misdemeanor

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB199** OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. Cliff Hite) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB203** MUNICIPAL TAX RULE REINSTATEMENT (Sen. Matt Dolan) To reinstate the municipal income tax "throw-back rule" used in apportioning business income among municipalities

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB209** PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS-TIF (Sen. William Coley, Sen. John Eklund) To modify the conditions that determine the relative priority of property tax exemptions when a parcel subject to a tax increment financing arrangement concurrently qualifies for another exemption

**STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee**

**SB213** ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING PLAN (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To enhance economic and employment opportunities and improve local infrastructure in Ohio by providing additional assistance to workforce development and employment programs; establishing a revolving loan program for small businesses seeking to expand operations; extending job tax credits to smaller businesses; enabling expanded participation in public sector contracting by smaller companies; enhancing support for childcare centers; funding additional local infrastructure and public transit; authorizing tax incentives for hiring military veterans, for donating money to local programs assisting distressed communities, or for improving distressed property; exempting the homes of disabled veterans from property taxation; terminating the income tax deduction and reduced tax rate for business income; and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB216** PUBLIC SCHOOL DEREGULATION ACT (Sen. Matt Huffman) To enact the "Ohio Public School Deregulation Act" regarding the administration of preschool and primary and secondary education programs

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Bill amended**

**SB225** OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. John Eklund) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB226** PERMANENT SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a permanent three-day sales tax "holiday" each August during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use tax

**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Ways & Means Committee**

**SB239** REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS (Sen. Matt Dolan) To modify the law concerning regional councils of governments

**STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee – Substitute bill accepted**

**SB240** REGARDING TEACHER EVALUATIONS (Sen. Peggy Lehner) With regard to teacher evaluations

**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB241** ACCREDITED NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CATEGORY (Sen. Louis Terhar, Sen. Cecil Thomas) To establish a category of nonpublic schools called "accredited nonpublic schools" and to prescribe requirements and exemptions for such schools

**STATUS: Senate Education Committee**

**SB246** STUDENT SAFETY ACT (Sen. Peggy Lehner, Sen. Gayle Manning) To enact the "SAFE Act" to revise the procedures for emergency removal of a student, to prohibit certain suspensions and expulsions of students in grades prekindergarten through three, to require each public school to implement a positive behavior intervention and supports framework in accordance with state standards, and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Senate Finance Committee**

**SB258** AWARDING SCHOOL SAFETY FUNDS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To require the State Board of Education to establish criteria and procedures for the awarding of school safety funds to school districts and to make an appropriation

**STATUS: Referred to Senate Finance Committee**

**SB262** EATING DISORDER EDUCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require public schools annually to provide parents of students in any of grades five through twelve with educational information regarding eating disorders

**STATUS: Introduced**

**SB266** CAPITAL BUDGET (Sen. Scott Oelslager) To make capital appropriations and changes to the law governing capital projects and to make reappropriations for the biennium ending June 30, 2020  
**STATUS:** Introduced; Referred to Senate Finance Committee

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**From:** Finlay, Serena  
**Sent:** Monday, March 5, 2018 8:11 AM  
**To:** Paretti, Dominic  
**Subject:** Request for Co-Sponsorship -- Paid Family and Medical Leave

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# Ohio House of Representatives



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**DATE:** February 5, 2018  
**RE:** Request for Co-Sponsorship = 6 Paid Family and Medical Leave

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Out of 178 countries worldwide, the United States is one of three that does not provide paid leave to new mothers. So far five states—California, New Jersey, New York, Hawaii and Rhode Island offer some sort of paid leave to men and women who provide care. The federal Family Medical Leave Act provides 12 weeks of leave for family and medical reasons. This time is unpaid and employers with fewer than 50 employees are exempt, which eliminates a large segment of workers. Ohio should lead on the issue of paid leave to grow our economy and allow working people to put family first.

The program will be under the purview of the Department of Job and Family Services. An individual would receive leave insurance benefits for: a health condition which makes him/her unable to perform their job duties; caring for a new child during after birth, adoption,

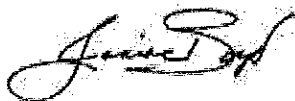
or foster care placement; caring for a child, parent, or spouse who has a serious health condition; or the individual is taking any other leave as authorized by the federal Family and Medical Leave Act. In order to be eligible for program benefits, an individual must file a claim with ODJFS; must have worked at least 680 hours during the base period; premiums have been withheld and remitted for at least one year; and the leave must be for the above-mentioned purposes.

Once established, program benefits will be paid by assessing premiums on employees. Employers will be required to deduct and withhold premiums from employee's wages. However, an employer may opt to pay the contributions on behalf of employees.

An employee who is covered by an employer policy or collective bargaining agreement that provides the employee with greater leave than that provided by the Family and Medical Leave Act may elect not to participate in the Program in accordance with rules adopted by the Director. An employee who elects to opt out of participating in the Program is not liable for any premium or contribution that would otherwise be due under the Program.

Working people in Ohio should not have to worry about losing their job or falling behind financially just to take care of a sick child or relative; address their own serious health condition; or care for and bond with their newborn child. Ohio cities like Dayton and Cincinnati are leading on leave. By allowing working people to put their family first, we can truly make Ohio a better place to live, work, and raise a family.

If you have any questions or would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Dominic Paretti, at 614-644-5079 or via email at [Dominic.Paretti@OhioHouse.Gov](mailto:Dominic.Paretti@OhioHouse.Gov) and Serena Finlay, 614-466-1896 or via email at [Serena.Finlay@OhioHouse.Gov](mailto:Serena.Finlay@OhioHouse.Gov). **The deadline to co-sponsor is Friday, March 9 at 4:00pm.**



**Janine Boyd**  
State Representative, Ohio House District 09



**Kristin Boggs**  
State Representative, Ohio House District 18

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